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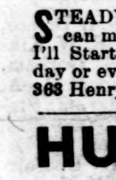

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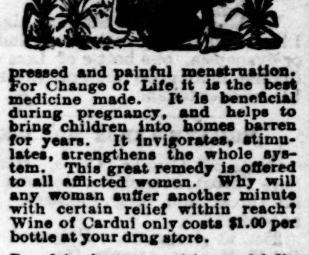

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TOBACCO FOR CUMBERLAND.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

RAEFORD, N. C., Dec. 23, 1898.

MR. EDITOR:—Some time ago you published in the OBSERVER a piece about some Mr. Evans's tobacco crop, and what it brought.

We would like to know through your valuable paper where Mr. Evans lives and also his post office address. If you can give us this information you will greatly oblige,

Yours truly,
RAEFORD FARMERS.

(From the Observer, Sept. 22d, 1898.)

LET US RAISE TOBACCO.

The OBSERVER has been trying ever since 1884 to induce the farmers of Cumberland to raise tobacco. It succeeded about the year named in inducing some of our people to make the experiment, but it happened that the year was a bad one for tobacco and we got no thanks for our pains—rather the reverse. Again, a few years ago we were so much impressed with the wonderful effect of the spread of tobacco planting into the neighboring counties of Wilson, Edgecombe, Pitt and Lenoir, and even into Robeson and Columbus, that we began another series of tobacco exhortations, and entered into correspondence with some experts in Pitt in furtherance of our purpose. By a singular stroke of ill luck, the experience of 1884 was repeated—to the mutual disgust of our farmers and ourselves.

On Saturday, however, Mr. W. S. Evans exhibited to us a statement of sale made in Wilson of tobacco grown and cured by him on his place just beyond Rockfish. It was the product of about two thirds of an acre and the curing of one barn. The weight was 659 lbs., which sold for $104 24, from which a deduction for freight and drayage, warehouse charges, auction fees and commission of 2¼ per cent. $6 84) left a net return to Mr. Evans of $97.40.

This was for one of the six barns which Mr. Evans cured. The others he says are as good.

Mr. Evans further states that he has made a careful examination of the cost of raising a bale of cotton and also of raising and curing a barn of tobacco. They are almost identical. Yet the net returns at present prices show four times as much for the tobacco!

The secret of Mr. Evan's success lies in the fact that he has spent eighteen years of his life in Franklin county and has gone through the whole gamut of the stages of experiment, temporary failure and final success which marked the introduction of tobacco culture into the Franklin tier of counties after the Granville tier had undergone the same experience. He says that there is an abundance of land in this county just as well suited to successful tobacco growing as those gray lands of Granville and Franklin and the other counties named. But one must be posted in the details of cultivation and curing. This Mr. Evans generously offers to do his part towards effecting for all who may apply to him. He also has seed which he can supply to those who need it.

Now, farmers of Cumberland, take hold of this tobacco thing and enrich yourselves as your neighbors are doing.

Now, men of Fayetteville, get together and see what you can do for the farmers in the way of helping on this movement, and for yourselves in the way of reaping the excellent returns on invested capital which the warehousing and selling of the raw material will bring you.

Look at Rocky Mount, Wilson, Greenville and Kinston! They have sprung forward like Western towns under the wand of the Tobacco Magician. Over two millions of dollars in hard cash are annually turned loose in their markets—half a million apiece, on the average. Groaning merchants of Fayetteville, think what that would mean in the sorrowful days that precede the marketing of the tobacco crop.

[Mr. Evans's postoffice is Brunt, Cumberland County, N. C]

A Brace of Daring Ensigns.

A Washington special to the Baltimore Sun says:

In the correspondence passing between the Navy Department and officers commanding war ships in the past seven months is an interesting statement about the work of two officers who volunteered for secret service and accomplished it well. On April 30, Ensign W. H. Buck, who was then at the Naval Academy, and Ensign H. H. Ward, on duty here, volunteered to risk their lives in order to secure information which might be of value to the government. Both of these officers were detailed and, in disguise and under assumed names, traveled abroad.

Ensign Buck remained in Europe, where he followed and reported the movements of Admiral Camara's squadron, and Ensign Ward, after visiting Cadiz and reporting the strength of the Spanish naval forces there, went to the West Indies, where he was employed until July 18, obtaining and reporting information in regard to the Spanish forces He visited San Juan in June and was there seized and detained by the Spanish naval and port authorities. He succeeded, however, in procuring the information which he sought, and in leaving San Juan and cabling his information to the Department. Both officers returned home safely.

Mileage of the A. C. L. System.

The Wilmington Messenger of Saturday morning says:—

The acquisition of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railway by the Atlantic Coast Line now gives that great system 2,237 miles of railway, including the leased lines, viz: The Charleston and Western Carolina road, 340 miles in length, and the Wilson and Summerton railroad, 41 miles in length. The mileage of the Atlantic Coast Line, without the leased lines, is 1,856 miles, including the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railway.

The Southern railway controls railways embracing 5,250 miles of track.

The Seaboard Air Line has 939 miles of railway.

Indiana and Kentucky Troops for Cuba.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Columbus. Ga., December 31.—Orders have been received from General Wilson at Macon for the one hundred and sixteenth Indiana and the third Kentucky to prepare to go to Cuba immediately. The eighth Massachusetts, at Americus, is also ordered to be in readiness.

Why Are American Armaments So Costly?

The New York Journal addresses the following article to the Democrats in Congress:

You are in the minority, but if you stand together you can defeat the attempt to saddle this country with a huge, extravagant and unnecessary standing army.

Secretary Alger estimates that an army of 100,000 men will cost over $166,000,000 a year in time of peace, which is more than Germany pays for an army of about 600,000 regulars and 4,000,000 reserves, with her navy thrown in.

We are already paying more than the cost of any standing army in Europe in our pension roll. It is proposed to add more than as much again for our army, so that we shall be spending for military purposes more than any two of the over-burdened powers of Europe combined.

England spends less than $110,000,000 a year for the first navy in the world, including the construction of new ships. France spends about $50,000,000 a year for the second. For one-third the amount Secretary Alger demands for his unnecessary army we could have a navy more powerful than that of France, and no power on earth would dare to send a brigade against us by sea while that navy remained afloat.

Defeat the army bills.

Mr. F. D. Winston's Views.

Interview of Hon. F. D. Winston in Windsor Ledger.]

What form of election law will be adopted?

"I do not think that 'white supremacy' will be risked on any form of election law. The danger is deeper than that. I favor an amendment to the constitution and shall urge such amendments as will make a repetition of the last two years in North Carolina for ever impossible. The threat to reduce our federal representation does not disturb me. Federal representation has not done a great deal for North Carolina. As long as the negro is here, we, of the South, must regulate our concerns independent of the balance of the country."

"This will be 'the problem' before our body and that it will be solved with safety to our civilization I have no doubt."

Have you given the matter of separating the school funds much thought?

"I have in a general way. There will be separation of school supervision and in that idea is a good deal that speaks for separation of taxes. That can be done only by a constitutional amendment. I have always been a supporter, and a cheerful one, of the free schools and of education. The sentiment in Bertie county is crystallizing in favor of using the taxes paid by the whites for white schools and of the blacks for the colored schools. If this is done, with no increase of taxes, the white people would have better schools, longer terms, free books and a perfect system."

Obituary.

To the Fayetteville Observer:

Traveling once in dreamland I met three painters who told me that each sought a model among the daughters of earth, one for a picture of Hope, one for Faith, and one for Charity, each asking my guidance I thought of one, but to which artist to assign her within myself I could not say, so beckoned all to follow me, and when we reached her presence each of the three clapped his hands and cried Eureka. Each contended that she was a perfect model for the grace he sought to image, but the contention demonstrated that Faith, Hope and Charity were a trinity, three is one, that there could be no model of one alone. They agreed that hitherto as men had delighted to name a goddess for each of the graces that henceforth there should be another, the Goddess of Sincerity. The subject of this dreamland episode was Miss Mary Carolina Harriss, who, upon coming to the full estate of perfect womanhood, accepted Mr. James H. Davis, that typical southern gentleman of Linden, in Harnet county, as her life consort.

It was on the first day of December that she took her final leave of that pleasant home where she was the center of attraction, surrounded by five lovely children, Robert, Effie, Bertha, James and Janett, from twelve to five years of age. Never were stronger chords of affection sundered by mother, wife or friend. It was in her 38th year that the Saviour, whom she had loved and trusted from her childhood, called her to himself, not to crush the loved ones in the family circle and community, but to lift and draw them to Himself; such is the way to Heaven from this vale of tears.

This writer has known her from the days of childhood and has noted with much pleasure the special care that the beautiful providence seemed to take in her earthly affairs. She could bear prosperity and grow nearer to God; her face was the reflection of righteousness. No cloud of human sorrow ever darkened her horizon that did not reflect the sunshine of her blessed influence. In her presence man grew nobler; the evil spirit fled from before her countenance as the birds of night from the God of prey. She so filled up the full measure of friendship that even poor driveling idiocy has been known to struggle upward from its dark depths to the parapet of reason long enough to proclaim her worthiness and to lay substantial trophies at her feet.

Death, that mighty conqueror, before whom the baser and more selfish human attributes cower in piteous servility, was to her (and she was fully conscious of his presence) but the effort of a happy child to reach the bosom of the loving mother, a glorious transition to the portals of eternal glory.

Dead! Her influence can never die, but goes on forever drawing others after her to Heaven.

We do not lose our time when we recount the virtues of those who have made a success of life's best opportunities and won the crown of glory.

AMICUS.

Christmas Tree at St. John's.

The beautiful and tastefully arranged Christmas Tree in the Parish house at St. John's Wednesday made glad the hearts of considerably more than one hundred little children. A profusion of gifts, and good ones too, in quality and fitness were there for each one; also fruits, apples and candies were in plenty, so that each child went away well supplied. This was a joyous season and Santa Claus has made many children happy this Christmas tide and all who have lent a hand to add to their pleasure may God speed.

'Tis Fifty Years Since.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

As our former communication embracing some reminiscences of our good old town—now city resplendent—met with so much favor. We have concluded to continue the reminiscent strain from '44 to '58 but in delightful irregularity. Commencing with hotels: The LaFayette, under the control of that prince of caterers and courtly gentleman, Thos. J. Curtis, stood first on the list, being burned down in '46, was succeeded by the "Fayetteville," presided over by that estimable lady, "Mrs. Ann Brown," a few years thereafter Mr. John Harman, of Pittsboro, cast his lot with us, and after refitting and refurnishing the old "Planters Hotel" at the foot of the hill, opened competition which, in a few years led to an exchange, Mr. Harmon taking the "Fayetteville," Mrs. Brown becoming the head of the "Farmers." In a short time the "Planters" was burned and Mrs. Brown moved to Davidson. Not a great while elapsed before a new hotel was built near the old site by a stock company and was first constructed by our old friend, Jesse Powers, who was succeeded by Miss Mary Ann Potteo. We think she was the last incumbent. About this time a gentleman by the name of Shemwell came to us and built what was then known and patronized as the "Shemwell House," afterwards owned by Reuben Jones and finally became the Overbaugh House and recognized by local and traveling patronage as first-class.

We will now give you a list, from memory, of the business men, without any attempt at classification or date, say from '44 to '58: Jno. Waddill, Jno. D. Starr, D. & W. McLaurin, Knott & Briggs, S. W. Tillinghast & Co., James Kyle, H. H. Leete, Canon Cason, F. D. Bruce, Isaac Dodd, James Dodd, S. J. Hinsdale, John Crow, John Shaw, Jno. McArn, Sandy Johnson, Hall & Johnson, Cook & Taylor, H. L. Myrover & Co., T. S. Lutterloh, Doyle O'Hanlon, James Huske; David Gee, James Gee, Alexander and Edward McPherson, Beverly Rose, John M. Rose, George McNeill, Zedric Burris, Herring Newell, J. H. & J. Martine, F. T. Ward, W. Draughon, Jackson Johnson, Ray & Pearce, Henry Erambert, Jos. Brooks banks, A. M. Campbell, Geo. McDonald, Gardner & McKethan, Matthew Leary, Wm. Overby, Owen Houston, Joseph and Richard Hollingsworth, J. A. Parker, Chas. Johnson, Thos. Curtis, C. B. Mallett, Hall & Hall, Phil, Taylor, J. M. Beasley, Warren Prior, Alexander McLauchlin, A. C. Simpson, Thos. J. Johnson, Doctors Cameron, Robinson, Gilliam, Mallett, Simeon Colton; Howard Massey, C. W. Andrews, A. W. Steele, Geo. Brandt, C. T. Haigh & Son, John W. Baker, E. W. Willkings & Co., John Harman, William Booth, —— Greene, Henry Branson, Robt. Mitchell, Robt. Little, Wm. Mc Diarmid, John MacRae (P. M), Jos. E. Bryan, Thos. Mims, John Fort, Thos J. Anderson, J. N. Smith, Peter Crow, Dr. Black, Murdock McKinnon, Pearce & Ferguson, R. M. Orrell, W. S. Latta, John C. Latta, A. J. Woodward, John C. Thomson, Isham Blake, Henry Sikes, Chas. McGary, Sr., Daniel Johnson, Duncan McNeill, Miss Nellie McIntyre, Wm. McIntyre, Archie Graham, Thos. Gill, M. Faulk, Amos Kimball, James C. Dobbin, Warren Winslow, John Winslow, William B. Wright, Judge Strange, James Strange, D. K. MacRae, John W. Sandford, Jas. Sunday, E. J. Hale, W. H. Bayne, P. P. Johnson, Foulkes & MacRae, Kliffermiller, succeeded by Dr. Vampilo, Music House, Shaw & Gardner, the notorious "Sperling," H. & E. J. Lilly.

We know we have failed in making a perfect list, but our memories at best, are sometimes treacherous. Now contrast the present status of our good old town with that of fifty years ago, and what is the result? Then we had no railroads, but the good old time mode of transportation, and Fayetteville stood absolutely peerless as a business market, the acknowledged centre of trade for the entire State, and the shipping and receiving point for a large portion of South Carolina, East Tennessee, and West Virginia; of course progression, or rather expansion, is the order of the day, accompanied with a super-abundance of inflation, and hence the cause, in many instances, of lost vitality and waning prestige, then follows decay and death.

J.

Raeford, N. C., 1898.

ADDENDA.

Daniel Kelly, G. W. Williams & Co., Simon Brandt, Geo. Draughon, Calvin Davis, David Torrence, Joseph and Jacob Otterbourg, Marsh & Troy, M. A. Baker, —— Valentine, (Tallyho) Daniel Clark, C. E. Leete, James Crow, Joseph Arey, Sr., —— McCollum, Chas. Banks, David Shaw, Henry McDonald, Dr. Hiram Robinson, R. E Heide, J & R. Gilchrist, Arch'd McLauchlin, Inspector, Henry Sedberry, Amos Jessup, Jesse Hawley, S. T. Hawley, E. L. Pemberton, W. S. Moore, W. McL. McKay, Elijah Fuller, J. W. Lett. Thos. S. Memory, Absolem Marsh, Edwin Glover, A. G. Thornton, Wm. Mullin, Starr & Williams, Frank and Jerre Roberts, Hiram H. Whaley, Edward Perry (barber), Jas. G. Smith (barber), George Lauder, James Foster (suicide), Charles Benbow, James Kyle, Blackman Bros., Hugh Gilmore.

Many of these have passed over the river and await the grand assembling at the Archangel's call.

We desire to mention the names of the "Concordia Club," (musical and benevolent), organized in 1856 during the prolonged snow (the ground covered for several weeks), and gave a series of concerts at Fayetteville Hall for the benefit of the poor:

George L. Johnson, 1st flute.
Joseph G. Arey, 2nd flute.
George Brandt, 1st violin.
T. J. Johnson, Jr., 2nd violin.
James B. Ferguson, 3rd violin.
Robert Dodd, violoncello.

A considerable amount was realized and given to the different churches for distribution, evoking sweet benedictions from the sufferers.

More anon. J.

Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures cuts, bruises, burns, boils, felons, corns, skin eruptions. Best pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Son, druggists.

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Christmas with the Children.

Communicated.]

This is the season of gifts. For many centuries it has been a time when the hearts of fathers are turned towards their children, and of friends to their friends, each endeavoring to show their love by some gift, however small or insignificant. These tokens of love and regard make glad the heart of both the giver and recipient. What love the the Father and Friend of mankind hath manifested in the world's greatest Gift! Those who are the recipients of this gracious Gift are moved by the love begotten in their hearts to make others happy.

At 3.00 p. m. Tuesday the Sunday School at McLean's was called in to see the beautiful Christmas tree laden with presents and many good things for them. No one could doubt that it blessed to give, blessing both giver and receiver, if they had seen the radiant joy, beaming from their faces.

At 7:30 p. m. a house full to overflowing had gathered at Campbellton Presbyterian Chapel to see the boat adorned with evergreens, lights and gifts. After some delightful music, nuts, raisins, apples, oranges, &c., were served to all in the house. While these good things were being enjoyed, Santa Claus suddenly made his appearance to the great delight of the children. They were then called up by classes and appropriate presents were made to each one. It was a highly enjoyable occasion to all.

The Last Surrender

Another Southern hero of the civil war has joined the innumerable host beyond the River.

The writer was informed a few days ago of the death of his old friend, Robert Crow, which occurred on the 21st of November last in Oklahoma Territory.

Mr. Crow was born and raised in Fayetteville, and volunteered in 1861 in a cavalry company from this place, gallantly serving during the entire war. In 1865 he returned to his old home, but, remaining only for a short time, he went to Brenham, Texas, and engaged in business with his brother. After his brother's death he left Texas and no one knew of his whereabouts for twenty-five years until a few weeks before his death. His relatives in North Carolina long since gave him up for dead. He was of a most amiable disposition, unassuming and gentle almost amounting to timidity, but, when need be, brave and fearless as a lion, beloved by all who knew him.

Mr. Crow was the son of Captain John Crow, who came from Scotland years ago and settled in Fayetteville—well remembered by the older Scotchmen of this section. For years he had been a seafaring man. Captain Crow left three children—a daughter (who married Dr. Kenneth A. Black, a much esteemed physician of this town) and two sons, Peter, who went to Texas before the war, and Robert, the subject of this sketch.

Many are the incidents related of his bravery during the four long years of strife. In one of the many cavalry skirmishes in the Valley of Virginia, when our boys were overwhelmed by numbers and lost nearly all—save honor—our hero managed to escape with his dearly beloved but tattered flag which it seems he retained to the day of his death, and requested that it should not be separated from him even by death. His wishes were complied with, and he now sleeps within its folds. Truly "He lies like a warrior taking his rest, with the Southern colors around him."

"His shivered sword is red with rust,
His plumed head is bowed;
His haughty banner, trailed in dust,
Is now his martial shroud"

No marble shaft may mark the spot, no gentle hands may ever strew flowers on that little mound; even impious feet may tread the herbage of his grave, but—

"On fame's eternal camping ground,
His silent tent is spread,
And glory guards with solemn round
The bivouac of the dead"

He was sixty years of age. A few of his old comrades are still living in this town who will hear of his death with sorrow. Farewell, my dear old friend, rest in peace! W. C. McD.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at B. E. Sedberry & Son's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

A cough is not like a fever. It does not have to run a certain course. Cure it quickly and effectually with One Minute Cough Cure, the best remedy for all ages and for the most severe cases. We recommend it because it's good. King Bros.

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Every woman looks forward with feelings of joy indescribable to the one great event in her life, compared with which all others pale into insignificance. How proud she will feel when her babe nestles on her breast—how sweet the name of "Mother!" And yet, her anticipation of this event is clouded with dread of the pain and danger of the ordeal, so that it is impossible to avoid the feeling of foreboding which creeps over her. The danger and suffering attendant upon being a mother can be entirely prevented, so that the coming of the little stranger need not be looked forward to with fear. Every woman who reads this, can obtain free a valuable little book entitled "Before Baby is Born," by sending her address to the Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga. This book contains priceless information for all women, and no one should fail to send for it.

The Coast Line Gets the C. F. & Y. V. Railway.

Knocked Down to Mr Harry Walters for $3,110,000.

SPIRITED BIDDING.

After an hour's spirited bidding the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway, in its entirety, was sold to Mr. Harry Walters, President of the Atlantic Coast Line system, for the sum of three million one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Promptly at noon Master Commissioners Eugene Martin and Clement Manly appeared on the platform of the C. F. & Y. V. passenger depot and announced that the sale of the C. F. & Y. V. would take place at once. Mr. Martin then stood upon a truck and was immediately surrounded by some of the most notable railroad magnates and lawyers in the United States, including Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern; Messrs. Hoffman and St John, president and vice-president respectively of the Seaboard Air Line; Mr. Harry Walters, president of the Atlantic Coast Line; Mr. Warren Elliott, president of the Wilmington & Weldon; Gen. John Gill, Receiver of the C. F. & Y. V.; Col. William H. Blackford, president of the Baltimore bondholders; Mr. Frank Stetson, of New York, general counsel for Southern; H. M. Turner, of New York, attorney for the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company; Chas. Steele, attorney for New York bondholders; Judge E. J. D. Cross and Mr. Phelps, attorneys for Baltimore Committee; Judge Jas. C. MacRae, attorney for Seaboard; Hon. G. H. Rose and Judge Hudson, attornies for Receiver Gill, and Capt. J. W. Fry, general manager of the C. F. & Y. V.

Commissioner Martin then read the several decrees of the Court and the particulars in regard to the sale:—First, that the road should be sold as an entirety, including franchises, rolling stock and all property whatsoever, except three engines, forty box cars and ninety flat cars, which should be sold separately and immediately after the sale of the road.

Second, that each prospective bidder should deposit with the Master Commissioners $30,000 before the bid would be cried, and that the successful bidder would have to pay the sum of $200,000 down or $170,000 together with the $30,000 already deposited.

Third, that no bid for a less sum than two million dollars would be received.

Messrs. Spencer, Walters and Col. Blackford then, each, deposited a check for $30,000, thus signifying their intention to bid.

Col. Blackford, for the Baltimore bondholders, which meant the Seaboard Air Line, as the former were under contract to lease the road to the latter in case of its purshase, started the ball rolling by offering two million one hundred thousand. Mr. Spencer followed with a bid of two million two hundred thousand. Mr. Blackford raised that to two millions and a quarter.

Mr. Henry Walters then entered the race with a raise of fifty thousand. Then came a spirited three corner fight, each bidder raising the other twenty-five thousand dollars at a time, which was kept up until the two million and three-quarter mark was reached, when the raises were ten thousand, then five thousand, and finally one thousand. At this point the bidding was slow, the three gentlemen, constantly consulting their lawyers or advisers. When the three million mark was reached the crowd (some five hundred had assembled) set up a cheer. Several times Mr. Martin called "once, twice, last time, are you all done" before the last bid would be raised. At precisely 1.18 o'clock Mr. Martin declared Mr. Harry Walters purchaser of the road at his bid of three million one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Col. Blackford's last bid was $3,103,000. After that the Coast Line and Southern had it out.

The rolling stock not included in the above sale, was then offered and bid in by Mr. Walters for fifteen thousand dollars.

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Sheets—Council.

Mr. J. A. Sheets, of Raleigh, and Miss Ida Council, Windham, Bladen county, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride. Mr. J. M. Stone was best man, and Miss Roxie Sheets, sister of the bride, maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Sheets, Mr. Stone, and Miss Sheets arrived here Wednesday afternoon and spent the night at the La Fayette.

Masonic Installation.

The following officers of Phœnix Lodge, No. 8, A. F. & A. M., were installed Friday night by T. T. McGilvary, P. M.:

C. W. Elliott, W. M.
C. H. Williams, S. W.
E. L. Remsburg, J. W.
I. W. Clark, Treas.
E. P. Powers, Sec.
A. H. Watson, S. D.
J. W. Johnson, J. D.
W. S. Kingsbury, } Stewards.
J. A. Hedgepeth, }
John Johnson, Tyler.
C. M. Watson, Marshal.

People and their Movements

Messrs. J. W. Norwood and H. L McQueen, of Wilmington, were here Thursday attending the big sale in the interest of Murchison & Co.

The following prominent citizens of Red Springs were here Thursday to witness the sale of the C. F. & Y. V.: A. B. Pearsall, M. A. Buie, J. L McMillan and S. H. McKinnon.

Col. W. S. Cook and Mr. W. Frank Blount left Friday afternoon to attend the banquet at Laurinburg that night to the newly elected Democratic County officers of Richmond county.

News of Interest.

Mr. J. M. Mewborne has resigned as superintendent of the penitentiary, and Capt. W. H. Day has been appointed in his stead by Governor Russell. Capt. Day is the law partner of our townsman, Judge Jas. C. MacRae.

The following dispatch was received at Washington from Manila Wednesday night:

"Adjutant General, Washington:

"Sent Colonel Potter on fast vessel to Iloilo on December 24th to communicate with Spanish General Rios; latter evacuated evening of 24th, and Potter three hours late; insurgents took possession of city on December 26th and Potter found Aguinaldo's flag flying. Cannot now report probable results; will not hear from there for four days, as no cable communications. Spanish forces have evacuated all stations in Southern Islands, except Zamboanga, Mindanao, by orders as they say, from Madrid. "OTIS."

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BRYAN DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPER.

The OBSERVER is the leading advocate in North Carolina of the policy of turning out the present Goldbug-Fusion Government, now disgracing the State, by a reunion of the whites whom VANCE led to victory. It is for WHITE REUNION against BLACK FUSION.

It opposes any political movement by Democrats outside of the Democratic organization. It stands by every plank in the Chicago platform, as the true expression of Democracy. Accepting the restoration of "White Supremacy" as the paramount issue, it believes that the Democracy should lose no time in shaping its course to that end. It is plain that the blacks, who rigidly drew the color line in the late election, will not assist the whites in the restoration of white supremacy. It is equally plain that the Republican allies of the blacks, who have demonstrated their negrophilism by thirty years of fusion with the blacks, will not assist in restoring white supremacy. The Observer therefore favors consideration of the question, "How shall the reunion of the two wings of Vance's Democracy be effected," so that the masses of the Democratic party may be justly represented in the next Convention. It is unalterably opposed to fusion—that is, to any political combination which requires a sacrifice of Democratic principles as duly expressed by the party.

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Items from Adjoining Communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties and St. Paul's.

St. Paul's, N. C., Dec. 26, '98.

Mr. James Johnson returned from Mebane, N. C., where he has been attending school on last Friday and will spend the holidays at home.

Mr. Charles Livingston and Mr. —— Conley accompanied by their families (of Richmond county) were present at the McNatt Christmas reunion at this place last Saturday.

The St. Pauls High School will reopen next Monday at which time the public term will commence.

Mr. B. H. Johnson returned from Wake Forest last week, and will spend the holidays at his home near here.

Mr. G. H. Fisher, of Baxley, Ga., is visiting his parents and other relatives in this community.

Dr. McMillan has accepted a call of the Presbyterian church at this place and will remove here at an early date and begin his pastoral work.

Miss Addie Johnson accompanied by one of her school mates, Miss McEachern of Georgia, came over from Red Springs last Thursday and will spend the holidays at this place.

Senator Gray on Expansion.

A Saturday's New York telegram says:

Senator Gray, of Delaware, the only Democrat among the commissioners, was asked whether he thought the question of expansion would be an important feature of the next Presidential campaign.

"The last words I said for publication," said he "before I left this country, were: 'I am a Democrat.' I have not changed that opinion. I am not in as good a position to know what will be an important feature of the next campaign as those who have remained at home. I understand since we received papers at quarantine this morning, that Mr. Bryan is in favor of ratification of the treaty, but opposed to expansion. I have no doubt that there is considerable and thoughtful opinion in this country against expansion. The treaty which we have just made would, if ratified, leave us in a position to do as we pleased hereafter. It does not force expansion on us. If the people want expansion, they may have it under the treaty. If they do not, it will not be necessary for us to keep the Phillippines any longer than necessary to dispose of them as we see fit."

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on B. E. Sedberry & Son, Druggist, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

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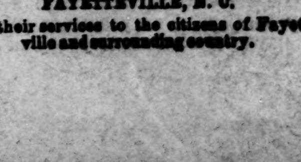

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Let Us Work for Restoration of the Arsenal.

We call attention to the subjoined communication, which was written by one of our leading and most patriotic citizens. The OBSERVER heartily approves of our correspondent's suggestion that NOW is the time to renew the agitation for the restoration and rebuilding of the United States Arsenal.

United States Arsenal.

For the Observer.

Two years ago we were much interested in an endeavor to induce Congress to build a United States Arsenal at this place. The project seems to have been forgotten.

The acquisition of such large interests in the West Indies and the large increase in the army and navy makes our chance of success much better now than it was when we first took it up.

Our location is just about right—sufficiently far from the coast for protection—far enough South to be convenient to Southern ports, with which we are connected by great Railway Lines, far enough North and from the coast to escape all danger of serious malarial and Southern fevers, and in an exceptionally healthy region.

Our Railway connections unite us in every direction with the great through lines of the Piedmont section and the Atlantic Seaboard.

The Cape Fear river gives us cheap transportation to Wilmington, one of the best southern ports, and also cheapens the railway freights to this point on all heavy freight by its competition. With so many advantages, and brighter prospects, should we not take courage and renew our efforts?

HAY STREET.

A Very Valuable Book.

We have received from Mr. W. J. Peele a copy of his "Lives of Distinguished North Carolinians." This is described as the "First Series." It contains sketches of Davie, Macon, Murphy, Gaston, Badger, Swain, Ruffin, Bragg, Graham and (B. F.) Moore, and of the soldiers in the Confederate war, of Pettigrew, Pender, Ramseur, Grimes and Hill. The sketches are, for the most part, taken from the writings or addresses of other distinguished men of our State, the whole being edited in a very interesting, skillful and elegant way by Mr. Peele.

Of the work itself we shall have more to say hereafter. We regard it as the most valuable contribution to North Carolina literature of the kind since McRee's Life of Iredell.

The book is beautifully printed and bound, and the illustrations—there is a portait of the subject of each of the sketches—are admirable likenesses, so far as this writer has seen the men themselves, and he has seen them all except Davie, Macon, Murphy and Gaston.

The McKinley Gush.

H. L. Collier, of Atlanta, Georgia—who, we take it, is Mayor Collier of that city—writes to the Washington Post this refreshing communication:

The South has not been slow to recognize a willing hand extended or a voice raised by a representative man of the North, in an effort to make the history of our country, from 1860 to 1865, to so blend as to lose all trace of sectionalism. Of the public men who have helped make history no score of them have done half so much as our beloved President McKinley in this respect.

What a graceful act it would be for a solid South to unite with a solid North, East and West in 1900 and renominate Mr. McKinley for the high office of President and elect him without opposition—binding him to no platform save "the greatest good to the greatest number and full justice to all," and request only that his Cabinet be selected from among our wisest, most conservative statesmen, regardless of past party affiliations or sectional habitations.

Thus elected every man in the United States would put his shoulder to the wheel of state and push, and make from 1900 to 1904 the most prosperous period of our grand country. Such an election would restore confidence in commercial life, unlock bank vaults, and insure a prosperity that would be lasting. I am and always have been a "hot-headed" Southern Democrat, yet I believe with all my heart that President McKinley has merited all this and more.

Our Honest Army Officers.

New York World.

The President is anxious to secure "an ideal civil service" in our other conquered provinces. To that end he plans to have no civil service at all; but a military service. In the same way, when Indian affairs have gone to the bad with us and rascals have been caught plundering the nation's wards, the ready remedy has always been found in putting army officers in the places of civilians. Wherever the need is imperative for honesty and scrupulous uprightness the first thought is to put the men of Annapolis or West Point in control. Why? How is it that we can depend implicity upon the honor of these men, as we cannot upon that of any other class of public servants?

Remarkable Victory.

Jonesboro Progress.

Of all the victories won by the Democrats this year, there is none more remarkable than the election of Hon. J. C. Black from the Twenty-second district. When the nomination was made, there were few if any who thought there was a scintilla of hope for his election. And indeed it did look as though he was leading a forlorn hope. But in spite of these adverse circumstances he took the field and canvassed the district thoroughly, and so vigorous were his efforts that he was elected by about one hundred majority. Two years ago, this district gave an adverse majority of thirteen hundred.

The County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular monthly session Monday with A. B. Williams, Chairman, D. G. Blue and W. H. Downing present.

It was ordered that E. B. Yarboro be admitted to the county home.

The report of G. A. Burns, sheriff, jail account for the month of December, 1898, amounting to $96.70 was ordered paid.

The clerk was ordered to summons the committees of the Cross Creek and Grays' Creek stock law territory before the county commissioners at the regular meeting in February to adjust some matters pertaining to said fences.

The bond of Lon Smith, constable of Beaver Dam, was tendered and accepted.

The report of the auditing committee was accepted and ordered recorded. It is as follows:

To the Commissioners of Cumberland County:

GENTLEMEN:—As requested by you, we have audited the accounts of Mr. John R. Smith,, late County Treasurer, for his entire term.

Herewith we present condensed statements of his transactions, showing the receipts and disbursements, allowances for commission and the balances due to each of the several funds which are as follows, namely:

To the general county fund	$1.44
" school fund	$3,700.04
" Clarendon bridge fund	$3,037 92
" new Court House	$4,395-22
Total	$11,134.62

We verified "receipts" credited as far as we found means to do so.

There was one receipt for $299.67 dated October 15, 1897, which was not credited at the time to the "bridge fund," about which there was a difference between the treasurer and the sheriff—the former alleging that part of it—$90—was for the sheriff's commissions on the Wilmington & Weldon R. R. tax of 1896 which did not come into his hands. The auditing committee decided that it could not go behind the treasurer's receipt to the sheriff without the sheriff's consent to amend it (as it could be used by him as a voucher in his settlement with the county) and have included the full amount in the bridge fund receipts.

Proper vouchers were found for all disbursements, including coupons. All the coupons were effectually cancelled.

Inasmuch as the punch used in cancelling coupons may destroy the dates on the coupons and thereby prevent identification, we think it would be safer for the commissioners to destroy them.

The county commissioners on May 3d, 1897, "ordered that the unpaid taxes on the land certificates to 1896 be sold to J. B. Smith for two hundred dollars."

We find that W. H. Pope, who was acting under the county attorney in collecting those taxes, turned over to the county attorney on May 27th, 1897, the unpaid tax land certificates and $152 25 in money, which he had collected on same, for which he gave a check payable to J. B. Smith by direction of the county attorney. Such part of that money as was collected previous to May 3d, 1897, should go to the county, and we therefore report the matter for your action.

We respectfully recommend that a proper *system* of keeping the accounts of all the monies received by the county officers and for the transferring of the same to the treasurer should be devised and that they should be required to adhere to such system.

We also recommend that all reports of auditing accounts and all final settlements with county officers should be recorded in the "Book of official reports" so that the conduct of the financial affairs of the county should be above the suspicion even of fraud.

We believe that the experience of the past shows that the cost of such a system would have been a wise and profitable investment.

H. R. HORNE,
W. N. TILLINGHAST.

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 31, 1898.

The bond of J. J. Pate, constable for Grays' Creek, was received and accepted.

The clerk was ordered to make a list of the revenues of the county.

Alex Bowles was appointed janitor for the month of January 1899, at a salary of $5.00 per month.

The C. F. & Y. V. Will Be Operated As A Distinct Company.

The Baltimore American of Sunday contains the following:—

"The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, which was sold at master's sale on Thursday, will not become the property of the Atlantic Coast Line in its corporate capacity. The general impression at the time of the purchase was that the corporate entity of the Atlantic Coast Line itself had become the new owner of the sold road. That impression arose from the fact that Mr. Harry Walters, who is the president of the Atlantic Coast Line, is the one to whom the road was struck off at the conclusion of the competitive bidding. Mr. Walters did not represent the Atlantic Coast Line corporation. His bid was placed in behalf of distinct interests, which interests are nevertheless in the closest sympathy with the Atlantic Coast Line. In fact, the financial supporters back of the purchase are parties who are likewise large holders in the Atlantic Coast Line.

"As matters are, however, the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Road will be operated as a distinct company. While it will be intimately associated with the Atlantic Coast Line, and will be included in the family of Atlantic Coast Line roads it will still maintain its individual and independent status. It may be possible that the name will be changed, the title Atlantic and Yadkin Valley Railroad having already been suggested."

A Moonshiner Shot.

Thursday afternoon Deputy U. S Marshall Morrisey and Deputy Revenue Collector Holland went out to raid some moonshiners in Quewhiffle. That night they came upon a still on Puppy Creek supposed to belong to Hobson & Carter. A negro man was the only one in sight and he set up a resistance which resulted in his being shot in the back by Deputy Marshal Morrisey. It was a serious wound and the officers sent to town for a physician.

To the Public.

We are authorized to guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and if not satisfactory to refund the money to the purchaser. There is no better medicine made for la grippe, colds and whooping cough. Price, 25 and 50c. per bottle. Try it. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Jan. 2, 1899.

Mr. McKinley is so anxious for the Senate to promptly ratify the treaty of peace that he took occasion to broach the subject to a number of senators who shook hands with him at the New Year reception, at the White House, today. It is the antics of Aguinaldo, believed to have both Spanish and German inspiration, which are causing Mr. McKinley anxiety. He told the Senators that his hands were tied, outside of the territory already occupied by our troops, until the treaty was ratified. Democratic opposition to the treaty itself has almost entirely disappeared, but democratic opposition to our keeping the Phillippines permanently appears to be increasing. Present indications are that whatever delay there may be in reaching a vote on the treaty, which will go to the Senate this week, will come from republican senators, such as Hoar, Hale and Perkins. Nearly all the democrats say that the treaty should be promptly ratified because it does not commit this country to keeping the Phillippines, and delay may result in serious trouble.

Colonel Denby, one of the democratic members of the War Investigating Commission, dropped a hint that indicates a surprise for somebody when the report of the commission is made, which will be inside of four weeks, he thinks. He said: "When they make their report I think that all fair minded people will admit that they have performed their work conscientiously and that it is not so much of a whitewash commission as many persons have imagined."

The magnates of the beef trust have been trying to scare General Miles ever since he told the investigating commission that the "embalmed" beef sent to Cuba and Porto Rico was utterly unfit for use and expressed the opinion, backed up by that of physicians, that the enforced eating of it had been responsible for much of the sickness, but they have not succeeded, and are not likely to. As a feeler, they threaten to sue General Miles for heavy damages, but the threat was quickly dropped when General Miles said that a court of law was precisely where he would like to get the men who sold that "embalmed" beef to the War Department. Swift & Co., and Armour & Co., members of the beef trust, have sent long communications to the commission, telling how good the beef was that was condemned by General Miles and other officers, and an ex Sergeant of volunteers, now in the employ of the commission, has overdone the thing by testifying that the beef sent to Cuba and eaten by his regiment was better than most of the men have had since they were mustered out. This same regiment was condemned by physicians, but he tried to qualify the admission by saying that he didn't see anything the matter with the beef. A Board of Survey, composed of army officers, has been appointed to investigate the beef, both canned and refrigerated, furnished the army.

Senator Mason, of Illinois, is the latest republican senator to declare against expansion. He said: "I am not an expansionist, but I think the treaty will be ratified at this session. The ratification of the treaty, however, will not commit this country to the expansion idea. The retention or disposition of the Phillippines and other matters relating to expansion will have to be settled later on. The subject is too big to be passed upon hastily. I admit that popular sentiment seems to be in favor of the expansion idea at present, but later I look for a change. The people apparently do not comprehend just what expansion means."

The announcement from New York that Mr. Croker had selected Representative Sulzer as a candidate for Speaker of the next House, and consequently the leader of the democrats in that body, was not received any too pleasantly by democrats in Washington. There is no personal objection to Mr. Sulzer, who is extremely well liked, considering the short time he has been in Congress, but resentment is expressed towards Mr. Croker for trying to meddle with this matter. There has been more or less talk among democrats about this or that man being selected to fill the place in the next Congress that Representative Bailey, of Texas, does in the present House, but, according to Mr. Bailey's friends, he will be the man. Representative Swanson, of Virginia, said: "Friends of Mr. Bailey have made a most careful and conservative canvass of the democrats elected to the next House. He has pledges and assurances from more than ninety and when the time comes will get more than 100 votes. Outside of about twenty-five men he is the second choice of all those who will vote for other candidates on account of local considerations.

Pressure upon the administration was strong enough to cause the cabinet to instruct Secretary Hay to squelch the Pacific Cable Company, by exercising his right to disapprove the concession for a cable monopoly obtained by this company from the late Government of Hawaii, inside of six months from date of concession. The six months expired today. This is the company that wanted this Government to grant it a subsidy of $100,000 a year for twenty years—enough to build the cable—for the free use of the cable from California to Hawaii.

News of Interest.

The entire first class of the Virginia Military Institute, composed of thirty-five young men, representing twelve states, were yesterday expelled for committing a breach of discipline New Year's eve after being warned.

Quay lacks nineteen votes for the renomination to the Senatorship. His friends say he will get them; his opponents are jubilant and prophesy his defeat.

It is announced that a syndicate, believed to be headed by J. Skelton Williams, the Richmond banker, has made an offer for a controlling interest in the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company, the parent organization of the Seaboard Air Line. President R. Curzon Hoffman declined to discuss the subject today, but from other authentic sources it was learned that the offer had been made and that Mr. Hoffman, as chairman of the pool which controls the company, favors its acceptance.

Capt W. H. Day, the new superintendent of the penitentiary, assumed management of that institution Monday. He filed his official bond for $5,000 Saturday.

Solid Vestibules.

The first of the Atlantic Coast Line's new solid vestibule trains passed through here last night going south. It is a magnificent train of new and handsome cars. The train is lettered "New York, Florida and West India Limited."

Bryan on America's Mission.

At the Travelling Men's banquet at Lincoln, Nebraska, Mr. Bryan responded to the sentiment "America's Mission—

"Let not the crimes of the east o'er crimson thy name;
Be freedom and science and virtue thy fame."

Mr. Bryan insisted that a colonial policy was wrong in principle and unwise, and he predicted that it would prove unprofitable in practice. He said in part:

"You have labored diligently to prevent foreign financiers from disregarding the right of the American people; now you are called upon to use your influence to prevent the American people from disregarding the rights of others. Self restrain is a difficult virtue to practice.

"It has been the boast of our nation that right makes might. Shall we abandon the motto of the republic and go back a century to the monarchial motto which asserts that might makes right?

"Be steadfast in the faith of the fathers. Your fight is for yourselves, as well as for your country. In the words of the distinguished Georgian, Hill: 'Who saves his country saves himself and all things saved do bless him. Who lets his country die, let's all things die, dies himself ignobly, and all things dying curse him.'

"Imperalism finds its inspiration in dollars, not in duty. It is not our duty to burden our people with increased taxes in order to give a few speculators an opportunity for exploitation; it is not our duty to sacrifice the best blood of our nation in tropical jungles in an attempt to stifle the very sentiments which have given vitality to American institutions; it is not our duty to deny the people of the Phillippines the rights for which our forefathers fought from Bunker Hill to Yorktown.

"Our nation has a mission, but it is to liberate those who are in bondage—not to place shackles upon these who are struggling to be free.

"We rejoice in the marvelous victory won by Dewey in Manila bay; we would give to him a sacred place in history and crown his memory with blessings. To us he is a hero; to the Phillippines he can be a savior. Let him be known to posterity not as the subjugator of an alien race, but as the redeemer of an oppressed people—not as a Lord Clive, but as a Lafayette. The gratitude of a people is better than a jeweled sword."

THE SALE OF THE C. F. & Y. V. RAILWAY.

Action of the Chamber of Commerce.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held Monday to consider the effect of the sale of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, the interests of our city may be seriously affected by the recent sale of the C. F. & Y. V. Ry unless a considerate and friendly policy shall be adopted by its new owners in order to prevent such injury and loss; and

Whereas, the C. F. & Y. V. Ry was conceived and constructed chiefly through efforts, sacrifices and losses sustained by our city and county in their corporate capacity, and by our numerous individual subscribers,

Resolved, That we hope and feel that the benefit heretofore derived from the presence of the general offices, by reason of its having been originally a Fayetteville enterprise, will be more than compensated for by the enlargement of the "shops" at this central point in the new system, and by other measures tending to build up rather than to detract from our prosperity.

Resolved, That a committee of three members, with the President of this Chamber as chairman, be appointed to take this matter under careful consideration—to see in person or correspond with the officials of the "A. C. Line"—to keep in touch with our merchants and shippers and to take such other steps as may be necessary—reporting to this body as soon as practicable.

The President, Mr. A. H. Slocomb, appointed Messrs. Walter Holt, A. B. Williams and E. J. Hale as the committee called for in the resolution.

BEAVER DAM ITEMS.

BEAVER DAM, Jan. 3, 1899.

The cold wave struck us with a tremendous thump, and the New Year was ushered in with a sudden pinch of cold weather.

Misses Lucy and Aba and Mr. Will Hales of Seventy-First are visiting friends in our section.

Mrs. Mary L. Bullard, of Greensboro, has returned to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Fisher.

Messrs. F. A. and D. W. Horne, of Hives, are visiting friends on Beaver Dam.

Mr. Tilden Bullard went to Hope Mills last week to spend the holidays.

Mr. K. S. Carty, Jr., is improving we are glad to say.

Beaver Dam church has extended a call to Rev. O. P. Meekes of Clinton.

Mr. P. P. Hall is a candidate for first assistant door keeper of the lower house of the legislature. He is a good Democrat and should be rewarded.

Miss Mertie McKenzie, of Sampson, has been spending some time very pleasantly with friends around Clay Fork.

Married, December 18, 1898, Mr. James Howel to Miss E. Hall, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. G. L. Hall. The waiters were as follows: Mr. J. Albert Hall with Miss Huleiah A. Hall, and Mr. A. J. Hall with Miss Emeline Hall. M. H. Bullard, Esq., officiated.

Died, December 30, 1898, Miss Dorothy E. Hall, daughter of William and Mary Hall, and a sister of Mr. A. S. Hall (at one time a member of the Fayetteville bar, but now residing at Douglass, Ga.) Miss Hall was in her usual good health Friday before Christmas, anticipating a happy Christmas, but before the sun sank behind the western hills, she lay helpless and unable to speak to any one, though she regained her power of speech one or two times for a word or so only before she died. Thus how forcibly we are reminded that death is certain and life uncertain. She was kind to all she met, always ready to help those who needed help and to lift life's burdens with a ready hand. The community has lost a noble lady—especially the sick and distressed. The funeral was preached Sunday, January 1, in Evergreen church, by Rev. Martin Page. We extend our sympathy to the sorely bereft family.

A happy New Year's greeting to the OBSERVER'S force and readers, and may this year be a year of peace and prosperity to all—may all make New Year's vows for good and then honestly keep those vows. JACK.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. King Bros.

RANDOM REMARKS.

BY SHAWEN.

This is the day—the last day of the closing year—when wayward men, and men not wayward, regretful of their shortcomings during the year, resolve to be delinquents and transgressors no more. Little mental lists are made which specify the coming changes of conduct both in matters of omission and commission. They outline in clear review the steep and thorny way to heaven which they are unalterably resolved to follow. And they not only mean every word of those good resolutions, but are firmly persuaded of their carrying out, even to every word. Yes, divide each word into syllables and still each syllable shall have due fulfillment. Some men keep such resolutions tenable in their silence, saying naught, the more heroic in their own regard that they keep confidence with themselves, proud to wait until they manifest in action what they will not avow in words. For them not the idle boasting of an impotent will which will forget its good intents at the first renewal of the old temptations—temptations which take no note of time, not even of its flight. Sin has no calendar; weakness no measurement at all. Both are as primeval as the world, and both as constitutional as virtue.

"Sparrows mount to their eyries above the clouds on backs of eagles." Human faults similarly keep company with our virtues to their utmost reach.

"'Tis in some paradise of birds that reptiles best employ their envenomed charms."

It has ever been so, it is so now with men, that "The finer the metal, the surer the alloy." It is the insistence of imperfection.

This thing of imperfection is much confused and much abused. Primarily, it is easily understood if we will bring to bear on it a liberal, honest intelligence. Ultimately, as its additions accumulate from single columns into the great receptacle of all accounts, representing the total of human assets and liabilities, one becomes lost in the inexplicable confusion of debits and credits.

But at least the persevering thinker finds that imperfection is the reverse lever of the engine of human motion. Virtue is the throttle which nature applies to forge humanity ahead. But in that progress opposing virtues would collide, like engines in head-end wrecks, were it not for the vigilance of the engineer and the reverse lever at his hand. Trains must go backward as well as forward. They require sidings as well as the main, open way. Man's progress is after the same method. He has his forward and his backward course, his sidings, too. And lucky indeed is he whose schedule encounters no interruption, no alteration.

Othello likened himself to the Pontic Sea, whose icy current and compulsive course ne'er feels retiring ebb, but keeps due on to the Propontic and the Hellespont. Such men need no counsel but their own, and require no bolstering resolutions in order to achieve their native or assigned pursuits. But these self-contained men distinctly represent the minority division of the human family and are generally of no large concern beyond their immediate personal affairs.

The men who have given to the world its strongest encouragements and been as props to its finer impulses were in many instances prone to the common weakness of the race, often to incomprehensible and ruinous excess. Indeed, there appears to be some vice in the blood of highly gifted men which constrains them to unbend from their true dignity and hold temporal affiliation with strange improprieties.

Robert Burns, for instance, exemplified the queer proclivities of genius. He is, perhaps, the most beneficial poet humanity has ever had. Much admirable poetry is a luxury, and is so esteemed. But Burns may be called a necessity, for the world would be infinitely poorer to be deprived of his matchless verse. He is at once an expositor and upholder of genuine human nature. Dealing much with lowliness he so finely, so faithfully, so forcefully portrayed its sterling qualities, its fundamental virtues, as indeed to place the shepherd's crook beside the sceptre.

He did more than that—he made it possible for every erring life to discover and amend its faults, or failing to amend, to bend less willingly to sin's behest and to persevere with better heart in the virtues which still remain. He is counsellor, sage, sinner and comforter all in one delightful heap. He learned from the sternest, wisest school master in the world—experience—and he lays his lessons bare before us to their inmost parts.

No man who contemplates good resolutions for the New Year should fail to commune awhile with Scotia's bard. Particularly does his poem, *"A Bard's Epitaph,"* seem to jump with the time. It is highly probable that this poem symbolizes his own hurt life. Anyway, he shows the famine that waits on folly and how it is best, after all, to bend the feet to the ground and pursue the way of duty and sobriety, whether one prefers the clouds or not.

Here are some of his words:

Is there a man whose judgment clear
Can others teach the course to steer,
Yet runs himself life's mad career,
Wild as the wave;
Here pause, and through the starting tear,
Survey this grave.

The poor inhabitant below
Was quick to learn and wise to know,
And keenly felt the friendly glow,
And sober flame;
But thoughtless follies laid him low,
And stained his name!

Reader, attend—whether the soul
Soars fancy's flights beyond the pole,
Or darkly grubs this earthly bole,
In low pursuit;
Know prudent, cautious, self-control
Is wisdom's root.

December 31st, 1898

Items from Adjoining Communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties and St. Paul's.

St. Paul's, N. C., Jan. 2, 1898.

Mr. W. E. Parham, who has been employed on the State farm near Wadesboro, N. C., spent last week at home.

Mr. L. L. McGoogan left here for Georgia last Friday, where he will remain during the coming year. Mr. McGoogan is a hustling young man, and this community sustains a great loss by his departure from it.

Miss Etna McEachern, of Georgia, spent last week here with her uncle, Mr. A. R. McEachern, of this place.

Mr. Lock McGeachy has accepted a position as salesman with Mr. L. Shaw.

Mr. W. B. Powers has returned to his farm in the ten mile community.

There will be preaching at Fisher's Methodist Church next Sunday evening.

Mr. M. C. McIver, of Rockingham, N. C., was visiting friends and relatives in this community last week.

Dr. McMillan filled his first regular appointment at St. Paul's last Sunday.

Overcome evil with good. Overcome your coughs and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. King Bros.

Holiday Express.

During the past holiday season the express for this and adjacent points has been very great, far heavier than ever before. It has been handled with consummate skill, under the supervision of that most popular route agent, Mr. J. J. Croswell.

Miss Elizabeth Munce.

We cannot let this opportunity pass without again writing our appreciation of Miss Munce's singing. Those who were so fortunate as to be present at the Presbyterian Church yesterday morning and night heard Miss Munce at her best, at least it must have been her best, for to us it could not have been better. Her voice was clear, sweet and powerful, her articulation perfect and the general effect superb. Miss Munce is really a good singer.

Raleigh's Memorial Day Orator.

The Raleigh News and Observer of last week contained the following:

The Ladies' Memorial Association has the pleasure of announcing that the orator for next Memorial Day will be Col. Wharton J. Green, of Fayetteville. His subject, "General Robert Ransom," is one that will interest every loyal North Carolinian.

JESSUP SAYINGS.

JESSUP, N. C., Dec. 31, 1898.

Mr. Lewis Lawhon, of Carthage, is visiting Mr. W. M. Thomas.

Mr. J. Q. Stutts, of Cameron, who has for several days been the guest of Mr. J. C. Culbertson, returned to his home Friday.

Messrs. N. R. Blackman and W. D. Harrington, of Chapel Hill, are spending the holidays at home.

Homer Davidson, seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Davidson, was badly burned a few days ago.

Mr. W. J. Underwood, of Cameron, is visiting Mr. J. H. Hargette.

There was much talk of a wedding Christmas day, but for once the expected did not happen; the young couple are still living in single blessedness.

Miss Margie Harrington, of Greensboro, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. J. Harrington.

After an illness of three days the infant son of Mrs. Mary Campbell, died Wednesday. The little one survived its father only two weeks.

Mr. Murchison McIver received a very painful wound from an explosion of powder; the result of careless handling.

Misses Lilly Cole and Maggie McLeod, of Villanow, are visiting the family of Mrs. Jennie Wadsworth.

Mr. Neill Cole, who has has been spending several days with friends and relatives at Pocket, returned Thursday.

Surely Santa Claus must have delivered some rather unusual presents Saturday night. We noticed the presence of certain young men with fair companions at Sunday's service heretofore unaccustomed to attend.

Mr. Royal Cole left yesterday for Winston to engage in the manufacture of fertilizers.

Mr. John Cameron, of Aberdeen, is visiting friends and relatives.

First ex-Confederate: "Why, it is not the duty of the federal government to pay us soldiers that fought the Union."

Second ex-Confederate: "No, certainly not, to one that did as little fighting as you." DONTON.

News of Iteresrt.

The sovereignty of Cuba passed from Spain to the United States at noon on Sunday and the stars and stripes now float over Morro Castle.

A battle between the United States troops and the insurgents at Iloilo is expected at any moment. Gen. Miller has demanded the evacuation of that city by the insurgents and they refuse.

IN OLDEN TIMES

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co.

RELIEF IN SIX HOURS.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder disease relieved in six hours by "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by H. R. HORNE, Druggist, Fayetteville, N. C.

Emancipation Day.

As Emancipation Day fell on Sunday, the colored people celebrated it by special services in their churches that day, instead of the usual parade and orations.

December Dispensary Report.

Stock on hand Dec. 1, '98,		$4,000.12
Purchases for Dec.,		2,715.43
		$6,715.55
Stock on hand Jan. 1st, '99,	$3,535.88	
Sales as per vouch'rs,	4,458.85	
	$7,994.73	
Gross profits,		$ 1,279.18
Expenses and freights,		238.16
Net profit,		$1,041.02

Case of Poisoning

Hood's Sarsaparilla Drives the Poison from the System, Quiets the Nerves, Relieves Dyspepsia and Catarrh.

"While in the army I was poisoned inwardly with poison oak, and I did not get well for 15 years. My blood became so affected that I was taken with a hacking cough, and I was thought to be going into consumption. I took many different medicines without avail, and finally resolved to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. When I had finished taking the first bottle the pimples began to disappear from my body, and after I had taken three bottles I was well. I have also suffered with catarrh in the head and have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla for this trouble, and it helps me. In fact I take it for all ailments and believe it has no equal as a blood purifier. It quiets the nerves and gives refreshing sleep. It has relieved me of dyspepsia and built me up." J. I. HOLLIDAY, Williamston, South Carolina.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Sold by all druggists. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

CASTORIA

for Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

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In Use For Over 30 Years.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 77 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Mr. Harry Walters Interviewed.

Baltimore Sun.

The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad will be reorganized as soon as the Atlantic Coast Line can obtain possession of the property.

Mr. Harry Walters, president of the Atlantic Coast Line, returned to Baltimore yesterday and is busy with plans for the completion of the purchase and the reorganization of the property. Judge Simonton, of the United States Circuit Court, under whose jurisdiction the road has been in the receivership stages, is quite sick in Philadelphia and is unable to give his attention to business. It is hoped that he will designate some one to act for him in conveying the property, so that the new purchasers may take possession as early as possible.

The new company to succeed the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley will be known as the Atlantic and Yadkin. Its management will be merged with that of the Atlantic Coast Line system. President Walters, of the latter company, is well pleased with the purchase. "Before the sale I made a thorough examination of the Cape Fear and Yadkin," he said, "and am convinced that it will be a valuable adjunct to our system. I found that under our management we will be able to save $50,000 a year in operating expenses. For that reason we were able to pay what we did for the road.

"Our financial plans have not been fully developed. We will issue bonds to the extent of the present issue, and, perhaps, a little more, bearing a lower rate of interest. They will be first-class securities in every way. These may be disposed of to the old bondholders, although it is probable that a syndicate will be formed to handle the issue.

"We will discontinue the Cape Fear and Yadkin's present terminals, at Wilmington, N. C., and will turn the tracks of that road into the Atlantic Coast Line terminals there. This in itself will effect a considerable economy, as the Cape Fear and Yadkin terminals are not now conveniently located, and require the maintenance of a water ferry. Instead of having two sets of offices at Fayetteville, as now, we will have only one set, and we will close the Cape Fear and Yadkin shops and use our shops. We will be able to introduce a number of other economies of a like nature and operate the road to the best advantage at the least possible cost. We will assume control of the property as soon as it is turned over to us by the court."

Fruit Growers to Meet at Southern Pines January 6th and 7th—Attractions of the Pines and Pinehurst.

The North Carolina State Horticultural Association will hold a convention at Southern Pines, N. C., on Friday and Saturday, January 6th and 7th, 1899, and they are inviting the farmers to attend that they may learn what has and what can be done in the cultivation of fruits. Just now this is a very important subject to the farmers, on account of the low price of cotton.

It can be shown that there is much more money to be made growing fruits than cotton. One fruit orchard in the Southern Pines section produced fruit enough to give the owners more than ten thousand dollars profit. Mr J. Van Lindley, the largest fruit grower in North Carolina, will preside at the meeting. The State Horticultural Society has at Southern Pines fifty acres in various kinds of fruits, trees, plants and vegetables, which will be shown to visiting farmers. Farmers in driving distance can go in their wagons and those living too far to drive will go by rail. Besides the thousands of acres in fruits around Southern Pines there are many features of interest to North Carolina. The Piney Woods Inn, the fine hotel of the place, has agreed to give half rates to those who attend the convention, and as the meetings are to be held in the large auditorium connected with the hotel it will be convenient for those attending the meeting.

Pinehurst, the "city in the woods," built and owned by one man, is connected with Southern Pines by electric railroad and all those attending the convention should visit this wonderful little city with its magnificent flower garden, parks, lakes of pure water, pleasure grounds laid out in the most attractive style, where grown people as well as children are amused the whole day long. It is certainly the wonder of this country, and few North Carolinians have any idea of what the wealthy Bostonian has done down in the sand hills of North Carolina. His work almost equals that of Vanderbilt's palatial home at Asheville, for Mr. J. W. Tufts, the Bostonian, has built fine hotels, electric light plants, electric railway, and in fact, everything that money can buy.

Cause for Gratitude.

"I cannot speak too highly of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has cured me of a bad cough and given me a good appetite. My little girl had a stomach trouble and did not see a well day up to the time she began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine cured her." MRS. T. H. SUTLER, Stephen's City, Va.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills. Mailed for 25c. by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of la grippe. During the epidemic of la grippe a few years ago when so many cases resulted in pneumonia, it was observed that the attack was never followed by that disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. It counteracts any tendency of a cold or la grippe to result in that dangerous disease. It is the best remedy in the world for bad colds and la grippe. Every bottle warranted. For sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures.
That is what it was made for.

In Representative Robinson's Absence.

As will be seen by notice in our advertising columns, Mr. I. A. Murchison will act as city attorney during Mr. H. McD. Robinson's absence in attendance upon the Legislature.

What Changes Will be Made.

Already there are many speculations and numerous rumors as to what changes will be made in the C. F. & Y. V. The most plausible one is that the Bennettsville track from here to McNatt's will be torn up and trains to Bennettsville run over the Short Cut as far as that place. Another is that all passenger trains will be run into a common depot, the one now used by the Coast Line, and the present C. F. & Y. V. yards used for freight trains.

Of course the depot at Point Peter will be done away with and all trains run over the A. C. L. bridge into Wilmington.

What extensions, if any, will be made to this present system, which now covers in all 341 miles, it is mere guess work to say, though the extension from Mt. Airy into Virginia is very probable.

As to the shops here it is to be hoped that they will be greatly enlarged by removing those now at some other point, as Fayetteville is the most advantageously and centrally located point for the Coast Line as well as for the C. F. & Y. V., with all its roads converging here. And as to the executive offices, we trust that if they are to be done away with, suitable places will be found for the present excellent occupants.

Jurors for Criminal Court.

The following is the list of Jurors drawn for February Term of Criminal Court for Cumberland County:

T. P. Blake, R. J. Davis, G. L. Breece, Gray's Creek; E. M. Sheetz, R. W. Kinlaw, S. H. Strange, E. E. Gorham, Marsden Haigh, Josh Council, J. A. Vann, S. L. Thornton, Marion Stevens (col.), Cross Creek; J. D. Seasons, J. B. Bryan, Vann Johnson, W. A. Thaggard, David Ward, W. C. Faircloth, Cedar Creek; Daniel McN. Ray, J. W. Ellis, Wm. Monroe, Seventy-First; D. McD. Buie, D. D. Capps, J. P. Darden, W. J. Darden, Carver's Creek; D. J. Cashwell, W. D. Campbell, W. S. Fisher, Rockfish; H. H. Bolton, H. C. Bullock, Flea Hill; Wm. M. Pope, J. T. Williams, Black River; D. J. Horne, J. H. Worthington, Beaver Dam; M. P. Blue, Little River; C. M. Watson, Cross Creek.

MARCH TERM.

F. R. Rose, A. J. Deal, W. B. Whitehead, Richard Bain, Wm. Johnson, J. M. Goddard, D. B. Hedgpeth, D. A. McMillan, Cross Creek; A. Downing, Daniel R. Beard, Flea Hill; L. H. Bullard, A. A. Hales, Beaver Dam; W. C. Fields, Cedar Creek J. O. Williams, G. R. Munns, Black River; A. C. Rackley, Seventy-First; S. B. Cameron, Little River; R. L. Butler, Gray's Creek.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. Jas. A. Jones, publisher of the Leader, Mexia, Texas. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success,

THE OBSERVER.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., JAN'Y 5, 1899

We desire a live agent and correspondent at every postoffice in Cumberland and adjoining counties.

Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the veiws or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

Correspondence for the Weekly Observer should reach the office not later than Monday.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

I DEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A Buggy Found.
Dispensary Report.
J. B. Rochester—Lost.
Geo. M. Rose—Wanted.
Alex. Davis—For Rent.
Walter Watson—For Rent.
Q K Nimocks—Rough Work
The Baltimore Sun for 1899.
Collier's Weekly during 1899
Hollingsworth & Co.—Percals, &c.
Jno C Haigh—Stockholders' Meeting
Jno C Haigh, Cashier—Dividend Notice.
H M Shearer and W S Cook—Stockholders' Meeting
E. L. Remsburg—Fayetteville Marble and Granite Works.

MONAY'S GREAT GAME.

Fayetteville 16, Wilmington 0.

Monday's weather was simply grand for foot ball, and it was a large and fashionable audience that turned out to see the great struggle for foot ball honors between Wilmington and Fayetteville, and to cheer their favorites to victory.

The red of Fayetteville, of course, predominated, though in the crowd could be seen many Wilmington followers, and amongst them were quite a number of fair daughters of our sister city.

Foot ball cranks took possession of the town early in the day, and all were discussing the probable outcome of the game. Everybody admitted that Fayetteville would put up a strong game, and would, in all probability, win; but such an easy victory was not looked for.

Promptly at two o'clock refree Cooper sounded his whistle for play; McRae, for Fayetteville, kicked off, and the greatest struggle ever seen on the gridiron in this section of the State had begun. Wilmington was defending the northern goal. McRae's kick was poor and Latham returned the ball near the center of the field. Fayetteville immediately won the ball on downs, and by fast sharp work rushed it along and it was only a few minutes after play had begun, that McRae, in a beautiful run, went over for the first touch down. After this play it was several minutes before the field could be cleared, for the crowd was simply wild with excitement and with bells, tin horns, &c., were making things lively. Short failed to kick goal.

Wilmington then kicked off, and Fayetteville made a good return of the ball, and after a few rushes, the ball was given to Wilmington on a foul. Fayetteville soon got the ball on downs and rushed it to near the center of the field. On a fumble by Stephens, Lambeth picked up the ball and ran from the center of the field for a touch down; McFadyen, Stephens and McRae took important parts in this great play, their blocking being superb, and especially was McFadyen's blocking complimented. It was a great play by great players, and will long be remembered. McRae kicked goal. The few minutes remaining for play in this half were uneventful.

In the second half, during the first few minutes of play, Capt. Sinclair and his men fought desperately, and for a while it looked as if Wilmington might score, but Fayetteville won the ball on their own twenty yard line, and this goal was never again in danger, for they kept possession of the ball, and, by brilliant playing, finally succeeded in sending McRae through the third and last touch down. McRae missed kicking goal. Time was up with Fayetteville as winners 16 to 0. The Fayetteville eleven were too much for Wilmington, outplaying them at every point.

Following was the line up:

Fay'lle.	Position.	Wil'ton.
Sutton	R. E.	Moore
Short	L. E.	Southerland.
Lambeth (capt)	Q. B.	McMillan.
Hamer	R. G.	Wilson.
Rose	L. G.	Parker.
Fowle	R. T.	Wannamaker.
McArthur	L. T.	Latham & Dagget
Watson	Centre.	Holland.
McFadyen	R. H. B.	Bellamy.
Stevens	L. H. B.	Hatch
MacRae	Full	Sinclair (capt.)

Touch Downs—McRae, 2; Lambeth, 1.

Goals—McRae, 1.

Refree, Mr. Cooper.

Umpire, Dr. Jno. McRae.

Timekeeper, Mr. Howell Fry.

The entire Wilmington team are to be congratulated; from the beginning they could see nothing but defeat, still they never quit and played with as much dash and pluck in the last play as they did in the first. Capt. Sinclair played a very strong game for Wilmington.

The Fayetteville team played a magnificent game, every man doing his part; the backs all played brilliant ball, and the work of McFadyen at right-half-back was remarkably fine.

The game was clean and free from kicking, and was much enjoyed by the large crowd in attendance. We hope to have another game soon with the Wilmington boys; we always find them perfect gentlemen and fine sportsmen, whether winners or loosers.

SHARPE & DOHMES' MALT EXTRACT, a Palatable Liquid Food, at THE FAYETTEVILLE DRUG STORE.

THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR CHILLS

and fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. Never fails to cure; then why experiment with worthless imitations? Price 50 cents. Your money back if it fails to cure.

ECHOES OF THE SALE.

Interesting Details.

That was a great contest Thursday for control of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad. It was a grand sight to see three such men as Messrs. Samuel Spencer and Harry Walters and Col. W. H. Blackford pitted against each other in a fight of brains, nerve and money. Mr. Stetson said after the sale: "It was the finest diplomatic fencing I ever witnessed. It was superb." Messrs. Hoffman and Elliott were sitting in the former's private car shortly after the sale when Mr. Hoffman said: "Now that things are over, Elliott, tell me how far you would have gone with the bidding?" "Well," replied Mr. Elliott, "I don't know that I ought to say, but in strictest confidence I will tell you that we would have bid as much as $3,110,500." At this everyone in the car laughed heartily.

From the determined manner in which Mr. Walters bid, standing alone, without counsel, and without hesitation, it is thought that he would have gone as far as $4,000,000. As it was, the price it was sold at is considered a good one and much above the calculations of those interested. It was the general opinion that the purchase price would not be much above $2,600,000.

It is said that just before and during the progress of the sale one gentleman of the party made several thousand dollars by purchasing the bonds of the road through his brokers north.

There was one man at the sale who was probably as much disappointed as either President Hoffman or Vice-President St. John, of the Seaboard; that man was Mr. J. W. Fries, of Salem. Several weeks ago he sold the North State Improvement Company's 6 6-10 per cent. of his holdings of bonds for $103,000, whereas this per cent of the sale money amounted to a much larger sum.

The question on everybody's lips now is "What will the Coast Line do with it?" Many look upon the acquisition of the road by the A. C. Line as a calamity to the town. We do not agree with this idea. Fayetteville is a large and important town and it would be the policy of the Coast Line to help build us up just as the system has built up other towns and cities along its route. A railroad is not going to destroy what keeps it alive. And then, without doubt, the great system will see at once the wonderful natural advantages of Fayetteville and will lend us a helping hand in its development. As to the general officers and shops, that is a matter that has not probably been considered yet by the new owners.

Mr. W. H. Blackford, President of the Baltimore bondholders, dictated the following statement to an OBSERVER reporter Thursday afternoon:

"Tell the people of Fayetteville that the Baltimore bondholders appreciate their sympathy in the effort of our committee to obtain control of the C. F. & Y. V. That it was our purpose to reorganize the road, but this being frustrated by the action of the New York committee, we then did the next best thing and agreed to bid for the road, and if successful, lease it to the Seaboard Air Line, this system guaranteeing us 4 per cent. and interest on bonds. I bid up to $3,103,000 which was the limit of resources of the Baltimore committee, and $3,000 above the extreme limit agreed upon by us before the sale. Further no bid could have been made beyond that sum, in justice to the bondholders for whom my committee was to receive the best settlement possible. The Baltimore committee represented $1,925,000 of the bonds."

THE FINANCIAL RESULT OF THE SALE.

The bonded indebtedness of the C. F. & Y. V. is as follows: $3,540,000 A. B and C bonds, interest due since December 1st, 1893, payable semi-annually, amounting to $183,240 a year. Consolidated bonds outstanding $1,868,000 with interest due from April 1st, 1890.

Under the division ordered by the decree of court A bonds will receive 55 per cent. of proceeds of sale, B bonds 19 per cent. and C bonds 19 4 10 per cent. The remaining 6 6-10 is applicable to the consolidated bonds. These bonds were pledged by the N. S. Improvement Company as collateral for money owed by said company to secure the individual endorsements upon the North State Improvement Company's notes.

So after paying the expenses of litigation, allowances to attorneys and receiver, the balance of proceeds is to be divided among bondholders upon the percentages above given.

It is estimated that A bonds with accumulated interest will receive $115 and that B and C bonds will get $80 on the hundred. A bonds sold in Baltimore a few days ago at 90c. on the dollar and B and C at 60c.

It is not known, so far as the people of this city are concerned, what the effect of the sale will be, and, of course, the purchaser himself has not had time to determine. We are glad to learn that Mr. Geo. M. Rose, former attorney of the C. F. & Y. V., has been retained by the purchaser.

There will be no contest over the sale. Just before the several parties left for their destinations Mr. Walters found all the attorneys of the several interests chatting in a car together and he produced a paper with a printed statement setting forth that the sale was legal and that the signers agreed not to contest the matter further. He asked all those present to sign it and they did so.

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DeWitt's Little Early Risers, The famous little pills.

The Charter Amendment Meeting.

There was a fair attendance of business men Monday night to ratify and suggest certain amendments to the charter. Mayor W. S. Cook presided and Maj. B. R. Huske acted as Secretary. All the changes adopted at previous meetings, as published in the OCSERVER of Monday, were adopted.

The resolutions previously adopted, instructing Mr. Robinson to have passed through the Legislature two bills, one for the issuing of $60,000 of bonds for construction or purchase of water works and one for the issuing of $15,000 of bonds for the erection of an electric light plant, were unanimously adopted.

A committee was appointed to confer with the county commissioners and our legislators in regard to working convicts on county roads, composed of Dr. J. H. Marsh and Messrs. G. A. Burns, A. S. Huske, A. A. McKethan and W. A. Vanstory.

The following addition to the charter was adopted: That the Board of Health of the city of Fayetteville should consist of the mayor, the chairman of the board of audit and finance and every white practicing physician residing and practicing within the city limits.

It was decided to collect the tax book of 1898 and give a rebate of 25 per cent if paid by the 15th of July.

Before adjournment a resolution was offered by Mr. J. F. Johnson, endorsing the candidacy of Mr. J. D. McNeill for railroad commissioner. Mr. J. R. Williams suggested that the resolution should include Chairman W. W. Huske, Capt. J. B. Smith and other Cumberland candidates. Mr. H. L. Cook took the ground that the candidacies of Chairman Huske and the others would soon be settled by the Democratic caucus, while Mr. McNeill's would not. Mr. D. T. Oates sustained Mr. Cook, and, after further discussion, the resoltion passed.

THE LEGISLATURE IN SESSION.

Conner is Speaker.

OUR CAPT. J. B. SMITH DOORKEEPER OF SENATE.

The Legislature met Wednesday and Judge H. G. Connor was elected Speaker of the House. His opponent was W. W. Hampton, Rep-Pop, but of course he was not in it. At the door of the Senate today stood our gallant ex-Sheriff J. B. Smith, he having been chosen in caucus last night for doorkeeper. The Democratic caucus met last night. W. B. Council, of Watauga, was Chairman, H. A. Gillam, of Edgecombe, Secretary and H. McD. Robinson, of Cumberland, Assistant Secretary. There were three candidates for Speaker of the House: Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, ex-Speaker Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury and Hon: Locke Craige, of Asheville. The first ballot was taken at 11 o'clock and resulted as follows: Connor, 46; Overman, 26: Craige, 14.

Mr. D. H. McLean moved that no one but white men be employed when they can be had, from the highest to the lowest servant. This was unanimously carried.

After Judge Connor's nomination, a committee, composed of Messrs. Overman, Allen and Craige, escorted him into the hall and Judge Connor accepted in a few words. Brevard Nixon, of Mecklenburg county, was unanimously chosen principal clerk.

W. R. Stalliup, of Macon, was elected doorkeeper over half a dozen other candidates.

SENATE CAUCUS.

A caucus of Democratic Senators met in the Senate chamber promptly at 8 o'clock.

The caucus proceeded to nominate for officials with the following result: Principal Clerk, C. C. Daniels, of Wilson; Assistants, A. J. Maxwell, of Columbus; M. L. Shipman, of Henderson; W. A. Campbell, of Moore; Engrossing Clerk, Frank A. Clinard, of Hickory; Reading Clerk, Walter Murphy, of Rowan; Enrolling Clerk, E. B. Norvell, of Cherokee; Doorkeeper, J. B. Smith, of Cumberland.

REP POP CAUCUS.

Republicans and Populists held their caucus in the State Library and made the following nominations:

House—Speaker, W. W. Hampton, of Surry, Chief Clerk, J. N. Bradley, of Buncombe; Reading Clerk, W. H. Quinn, of Swain, Doorkeeper, W. V. Hall, of Wake; Assistant Doorkeeper, Jacob Perkins, of Richmond; Engrossing Clerk, Chapin, of Beaufort.

Senate—Chief Clerk, Hill E. King, Onslow; Reading Clerk, T. Y. Samuel, Stokes; Engrossing Clerk, F. D. Benbow, Yadkin; Doorkeper, Thos. Gregory, Sampson; Assistant Doorkeeper, W. A. Royal, Yadkin.

An Explanation.

The reason Mr. Hervey Evans's name was not signed to the report of the county auditing committee, published in Tuesday's Observer, was that he was prevented by sickness from coming to town Monday morning.

C. F. & Y. V. Officials in Wilmington.

The Messenger of Tuesday says:

The following officials of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railway arrived in the city last evening and are stopping at the Orton: General Manager J. W. Fry, Chief Engineer H. L. Fry, of Greensboro, and General Freight and Passenger Agent W. E. Kyle and General Auditor R. W. Bidgood, of Fayetteville.

Our Members to the Legislature.

Senator-elect W. L. Williams and Representative-elect H. McD. Robinson left Monday for Raleigh to be present at the opening of the Legislature Tuesday. Our other Representative-elect, Mr. D. J. Ray, is now at Keyser and will leave for Raleigh from there.

Representative elect Patterson, of Robeson, was in the city today on his way to Raleigh.

WHAT IS SHILOH?

A grand old remedy for Cough, Colds and Consumption; used through the world for half a century, has cured innumbrable cases of incipient consumption and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not satisfied with the results we will refund your money. Price 25 cts, 50 cts, and $1.00. W. C. McDuffie's.

K. of P. Installation.

Tuesday night the following officers of Cumberland Lodge, No. 5, Knights of Pythias, were installed for the ensuing term by Dr. J. W. McNeil; D. G. C.: B C Gorham, C C; E L Remsburg, V C; T B Hollingsworth, P; J W McNeill, M of W; J C Vann, K of R S; C W Elliott, M of E; H O Sedberry, M of F; E M Downing, M at A; R F Amos, I G; R W Powers, O G.

People and their Movements.

Miss Mattie King is on a visit to her brother, Mr. David King, in Raleigh.

Mr. Geo. Stevens, of Charlotte, will make his headquarters for several weeks in this city.

Mr. Wm. Townsend has resigned his position with the C. F. & Y. V. offices and last night left for Norfolk to accept a position with the Southern Railway. The Southern will find Mr. Townsend a most capable employe.

Marriage at Manchester.

Miss Emma Frazell and Mr. E. H. Smith were married at Manchester Jan'y 1st, Sunday, at the home of the bride. Mr. Smith, who is a Georgian, will take his wife immediately to his home in that State.

Working Night and Day.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globule of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fag into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Son.

Death of the Guardian of Washington's Tomb.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Edward Parker, the negro who for fifty years has guarded Washington's Tomb at Mount Vernon, died last night.

A Great Battle in China.

By cable to the Observer.

Shanghia, Dec. 31.—The North China Daily News has received a telegram from Chang King, dated December 30th, saying that a great battle was fought at Sah Chiao, on the 27th, between the Rebels and Imperial troops in which the latter were victorious.

A Triple Tragedy in New York.

By telegraph to the Observer.

New York, Dec 31st.—Karl Berger early this morning shot his wife fatally and stepdaughter seriously and committed suicide because his wife refused to leave him because she drank.

The Missing of the Wrecked Glenavon.

By cable to the Observer.)

Hong Kong, Dec. 31.—The two missing boats of the wrecked British steamer Glenavon have been found. The only missing persons are chief mate Nixon and second steward Wilson and two Chinese. Quartermaster Smith died after swimming to Ling Ting Island of exhaustion. The search for the missing continues.

A Big Contribution.

By cable to the Observer.

Paris, Jan. 3.—The Duke of Orleans, on January 1st, received a million francs from a French manufacturer, as a contribution to the Royalist Political fund.

A Conflict May Be Averted.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, January 3.—A dispatch from General Otis was read at a meeting of the cabinet this evening, giving reassuring information in regard to the situation among insurgents at Iloilo. General Otis said he believed the disquieting reports from the scene of disturbance would prove unwarranted. He believed the conflict at any rate would be averted. The dispatch is evidently based on direct and recent information ffom General Miller, the officer in charge of the United States troops sent to Iloilo. It is the belief now that the moral effect of the presence of United States soldiers will be sufficient to impress the insurgents with the folly of provoking an actual encounter with General Miller's forces.

Ohio's Fight Against Trusts.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 3.—Attorney General Monett is preparing for an active campaign against another trust, the American Biscuit Company, of which D. T. Crawford is President. The object is to oust the Company from doing business in this State. The trust is capitalized at fifty-five million, and doing a business of five millions.

110 Miles an Hour.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Omaha, January 3.—The contest for fast mail trains from Chicago to Omaha, resulting in speed, was won by the North Western. A part of the distance was made at the rate of one hundred and ten miles per hour.

In Congress.

By telegraph to the Observer)

Washington, January 4.—The House is considering a bill to establish a code of laws for Alaska. The debate is limited two hours on each side. Representative Swanson will introduce a bill to reimburse Virginia for claims against the Federal Government.

The Senate Meets and Adjourns.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Jan. 4th.—The Senate without transacting any business after reading the journal, in respect to Senator Morill adjourned.

Choate, Ambassador to England.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Washington, Jan. 4.—Senator Platt, after a visit to President McKinley today, said that Mr. Choate will be nominated Ambassador to England. The nomination will not go to the Senate today.

Constipation prevents the body from ridding itself of waste matter. DeWitt's Little Early Risers will remove the trouble and cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, Inactive Liver and clear the Complexion. Small, sugar coated, don't gripe or cause nausea. King Bros.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Miscellaneous.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Glen Ridge, N. J., Jan. 4th.—Miss Olive, daughter of Admiral Sampson, today married Richard Henry Harrison, of San Francisco.

Terrible Work of an Infernal Machine.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 4.—By the explosion of an infernal machine at the railroad depot, New Albany, Miss., five men were terribly injured, some fatally, The machine had been sent from Holly Springs to a person under indictment for murder.

Missouri Pacific Train Jumps the Track with Fatal Results.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 4th.—The Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 10 from Omaha and Kansas City for St. Louis was thrown from the track a mile west of here this morning. Engineer Clawson of Sedalia; Zoll, fireman of St. Louis, were killed. They jumped as the engine struck the boulder track. The locomotive rolled over them and into the Missouri River. All except a Pullman car ran off on the opposite side, into a bluff, which saved the lives of many passengers.

The Tyrant Brooke.

By cable to the Observer.

Santiago, Jan. 4th.—At meetings of political clubs last night the most conservative who favored annexation, were astounded by orders from Havana, centralizing the customs money there. This province which has just settled down with content is inflamed. The situation is critical. A spark would cause an insurrection. General Brooke apparently ignoring General Wood is cabling direct to his subordinates regarding customs. Dr. Castello will accompany General Wood to Washington representing British interests in Santiago. General Wood's work here is thoroughly appreciated.

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Roosevelt's Message.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 4th.—Governor Roosevelt's first message to the Legislature is in part: After endorsing the National administration's foreign policy; our taxation is unjust; there is no non-taxable interest; the canal frauds must be stopped and the work pushed; the men in office who defrauded the State must be punished; the labor minor law must be enforced; all labor legislation should be under the board of factories. He wants fifty factory inspectors. He adopts the Massachusetts plan for wiping out sweat shops by appointing some body to enforce the eight hour labor day and stop the competition of prison labor with free, The board of mediation should act in labor troubles. He wants to arm the national guard with modern guns; to build up the State militia; uniform civil service law for the whole State; civil war veterans are entitled to preference. He favors biennial sessions, "we suffer," he says, "from over legislation;" wants to continue good roads movement for farmers; wants to abolish all needless offices and discharge certain special counsel and consolidate commissions wherever possible; the rapid transit in New York should be pushed along; in favor of cutting down lazy city officials salaries and make them work; in favor of abolishing metropolitan offices where it can be safely done; asks the legislature to revise conflicting school laws, and endorses the Raines liquor tax law.

Roosevelt favors the extension of the franchise, gradually indorsing woman sufferage.

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Yellow Dip	1 70
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Flour—1st pat., sack,	$2.35@$2.65
Family Flour—2nd pat., sack	$2.00 @ 2.25
Hides—dry—per lb.	8@10
" —green—per lb.	5
Wool—washed	15@20
Bacon—hog round per lb—	10
" —ham	12a12½
" —sides	9
" —shoulders	8½
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	45
Peas—clay	45a50
" —mixed	40@45
" —white,	55a65
Meal—bolted—46 lbs per bushel	50@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@55
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel 40;	new 42
Onions—select—per bushel	70@90
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	20@25
Roosters—per head	20a25
Turkeys—per lb	7½ a 8
Guineas	16@17½
Geese	25 a 30
Butter—choice yellow	20 a 25
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
Eggs,	12a12½
Feathers—new	35 a 40
Potatoes—Irish	90@1.00
Potatoes—Sweet	25 a 40
Pork	4½@5

Dividend Notice.

Fayetteville, N. C., Jan'y 2, 1898.

At a meeting of the Directors of The Bank of Fayetteville, held on the above date, a semi-annual dividend of two (2) per cent. was declared, payable on and after January 3, 1899.

2t J. C. HAIGH, Cashier.

To the Dispensary Board of Cumberland County:

In accordance with your request we submit herewith account of gauges as to quantity, &c., of stock in Dispensary—work done on 2nd and 3rd January, 1899.

After careful examination we find the account above as agreeing with that reported by the manager and as shown by books.

W. C. TROY,
E. P. POWERS,
Special Committee.

January 4th-d6twlt

12½ Cent Percals at 8 Cents.

We have bought at a sacrifice 2,000 yards and will run them as long as they last at 8c. These goods are sold now in New York at 9½ cents in case lots.

A Big Apron at 10 cents.

The best Ladies' Undershirts in city at 25 cents.

Regular 50 cent Non-shrinking Vest at 35 cents. Pants to match 25 cents. Children's Vests 10c.

Best Outings, 7c.

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A regular 25 cent Ladies' Hose, double sole, high spliced heel, at 10 cents a pair. Only a small quantity left. Send or come for a pair. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

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Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Enterprise Land and Improvement Company will be held in the City of Fayetteville, Cumberland county, N. C, on January the 10th, 1899, between the hours of 12 and 3 o'clock p. m.

H. M. SHEARIN,
W. S. COOK,
Directors.

December 31, 1898.

Stockholders' Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Stockholders of the Bank of Fayetteville—held in their Banking House Thursday, January 5, 1899, at 11 o'clock.

JOHN C. HAIGH,
January 2, 1899.—2t] Cashier.

WANTED.

A tenant for the year 1899 with force sufficient to run a two-horse crop. Apply to GEO. M. ROSE.

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For Rent.

The Blacksmith and Wagon Shops, known as the "Welsh Shops," are for rent. A good chance for a man to make money. Apply to WALTER WATSON.

January 4th-tf

HOT DRINKS.

Huyler's very best Chocolate, with cream, - - - - 5c
Beef Bouillon, tomato and plain, with an aroma that cannot be produced with common extracts, - - 5c
Hot Coffee, the very best, not made with the ordinary extracts, - 5c

Wafers with all of them.

Horne's Pharmacy.

Annual Statement

of the expenses of the Board of County Commissioners of Cumberland County for the year ending December 1, 1898:

S. H. COTTON, eighteen days' service as Commissioner at $2.00 per day, - - -	$36 00
Mileage, 139 miles at 5c. per m.,	6 92
Total,	$42 92
J. A. GAINEY, twenty days' salary as Commissioner at $2.00 per day,	$40 00
Mileage, 192 miles at 5c. per m.,	9 60
Total,	$49 60
J. A. MCFARLAND, twenty days' salary,	$40 00
Mileage, 288 miles at 5c. per m.,	14 40
Total,	$54 41
Grand total,	$146 92

A. L. MCCASKILL,
Cl'k B'd Co. Com.
By CLAUDIA BUTLER,
Deputy Register.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 30th day of November, 1898.

CYRUS MURPHY,
C. S. C.

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My dog—pointer, white and brown spots; portion of his tail cut off. Collar with name on it was on the dog when last seen. A liberal reward will be paid for his return J. B. ROCHESTER.

Dec 28—2t

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Respectfully,
E. L. REMSBURG,
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Fayetteville, N. C.

Strayed.

A suitable reward will be offered for the return of two hogs that strayed from the John Buie place on the Center plank road, six miles from Fayetteville. Description: Sow hogs, one a sandy color and the other black and white-spotted with ears dropping over the eyes; both hogs unmarked.

W. A. POOLE.

December 22-4t

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PLAIN TIPPED SHAPE.	Standard plate	Triple plate
Table Spoons, per set,	....	2.90
Tea " " "	1.00	1.45
Medium Knives " "	....	1.75
Dessert " - -	....	1.65
" Forks - -	1.85	2.90

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The Proposed Charter Amendments.

Mr. H. McD. Robinson requests us to publish the following:

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 30, 1898.

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Fayetteville:

GENTLEMEN:—As per instructions of the meeting held in the City Hall on Dec. 29th, I hand you herewith the full text of the bill which it is proposed shall be introduced in the next General Assembly, and which embraces all the amendments adopted at said meeting. Should other amendments be adopted, I will be glad to have them put in proper form and added to this bill.

The bill concerning electric lights will be substantially as chapter 134, page 179, of the Private Laws of 1895.

My time has been insufficient to permit of my laying before you the full text of the water works bill. I will be glad of all suggestions concerning the nature of this bill, and it will be drawn in apt time for submission to the General Assembly.

Very Respectfully,
H. McD. ROBINSON.

A bill to be entitled, an act to amend chapter 153 of the Private Laws of 1893, entitled an act to incorporate the City of Fayetteville.

The General Assembly of North Carolina, do enact: That chapter 153 of the Private Laws of 1893 be amended as follows:

Sec. 1. Amend section 23 so as to read as follows: The Mayor of said city shall not receive any fees in any case tried before him whether he has final jurisdiction or only to act as a committing magistrate, but all fees shall be collected and paid into the treasury of said city. The Mayor shall receive as compensation for his services such salary as the aldermen and board of audit and finance may fix, payable out of the city treasury in such sums and at such periods as the aldermen may prescribe.

Sec. 2. Amend section 32 so as to read as follows: The aldermen when convened shall have the power to make, and provide for the execution thereof, such ordinances, by-laws, rules and regulations for the better government of the city as they may deem necessary: PROVIDED, the same be allowed by the provisions of this act and are consistent with the constitution and laws of the State. This chapter in its amended form, together with all ordinances, by-laws, rules and regulations heretofore adopted and now in force and which may hereafter be adopted, shall be recorded in a separate book, to be known as the "Book of Laws and Ordinances." All ordinances shall be properly indexed and except in cases of emergency, ordinances hereafter adopted shall not become operative until they have been published at least once in a newspaper of the city, or by printed posters for ten days.

Sec. 3. Amend section 33 so as to read as follows: The aldermen at the first meeting after their election shall appoint a clerk and a treasurer who shall respectively hold their offices during the official term of the aldermen who appointed them, subject, however, to be removed at any time, and others appointed in their stead, for misbehaviour or neglect in office. Before acting, the clerk and treasurer shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties, and each shall execute a bond payable to the city of Fayetteville in such sum as the aldermen may determine.

Sec. 4. Amend section 34 so as to read as follows: The clerk shall have a reasonable salary to be fixed by the the board of aldermen and it shall be his duty to keep regular and fair minutes of the proceedings of the board and to preserve all books, papers and articles committed to his care during his continuance in office and to deliver them to his successor, and generally to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of aldermen and this charter.

Sec. 5. Amend section 25 so as to read as follows: The treasurer shall make out annually, a fair transcript of receipts and disbursements on account of the city, for the general inspection of the citizens, and cause the same to be posted before the door of the Mayor's office, at the end of the fiscal year, and printed in some newspaper published in the city of Fayetteville. The treasurer's salary shall be such as may be fixed by the Board of aldermen.

Sec. 6. Amend section 37 so as to read as follows: All orders drawn upon the treasurer shall be issued by the clerk from the regular city scrip book, specifying the name of the payee, on what account paid, the amount, date and number, signed by him and countersigned by the Mayor, and an accurate stub of the same shall be kept, and the treasurer shall specify in his accounts, the purpose for which the money is applied and also the sources whence are derived the moneys received by him.

Sec. 7. Amend section 29 so as to read as follows: It shall be the duty of the board of audit and finance to consider and act upon the charges fixed for privileges of various kinds, and to make recommendations to the Mayor and board of aldermen as to all such matters as shall affect the finances of the city of Fayetteville, and no appropriation of moneys or expenditures, or contracts affecting the finances of the city, shall be made by the Mayor and board of aldermen until the same shall have been approved by at least two members of the board of audit and finance but said board of audit and finance shall have no power or authority to do anything binding upon the city of Fayetteville, otherwise than to concur in or veto the action of the board of aldermen in matters of finance and contracts affecting the finances of said city. Provided, that upon a veto by the board of audit and finance of the action of the board of aldermen, it shall be the duty of the said board of audit and finance to report to the board of aldermen, in writing at the next regular or called meeting of said aldermen, such veto, together with the causes of the same, and such communication from the board of audit and finance to the board of aldermen, shall be spread upon the minutes of the board of aldermen and, at the next regular or called meeting of said board of aldermen, the Mayor, after having caused such communication to be read, shall submit the question on the aye and nay vote, "shall the veto be sustained?" and, thereupon, if eleven of the board of aldermen shall vote "nay," such veto shall be of no effect, and the original action of the board of aldermen shall prevail.

Section 8. Amend section 49 so as to read as follows: The boards of aldermen and audit and finance of the city of Fayetteville, shall create a sinking fund for the payment of all bonded indebtedness, and, to that end, they may appropriate the taxes to be derived from rail roads, licenses, or any other source which in their judgment would be adequate and proper. And the board of aldermen, subject to the approval and ratification of the board of audit and finance, as heretofore provided, shall have power to establish ordinances, fixing a schedules of rates to be charged as licenses, or privilege taxes, upon any business, trade, occupation profession conducted in the corporate limits of the city, including rail roads, express companies, steam boat companies, and fire and life insurance companies, or agents, or agencies, of the same or any of the same.

Section 9. Amend section 52 so as to read as follows: There shall be and is hereby levied, a tax of one percentum on property, thirty percentum of which shall be applied to the liquidation of the debt and $1.80 poll tax. And the said Mayor and aldermen shall have no power or authority to create any new bonded indebtedness unless with the assent of the majority of all the qualified voters of the city of Fayetteville, at an election, or elections, to be held for that purpose under the express authority to be granted by the General Assembly of the State. Nor shall they have power to issue orders on the treasurer in payment of any obligation due by the city, when the issue of such orders will increase the amount of unpaid scrip to more than one thousand dollars.

Section 10. Amend section 53 so as to read as follows: The board of aldermen shall set aside thirty percentum of the poll and property taxes, collected each year, which shall be applied to the debt and twenty percentum of all taxes, if necessary, shall be set aside for water works.

Section 11. Amend section 55 so as to read as follows: The assessment of property for the purpose of taxation under the provisions of this charter shall be the same as that fixed by the assessors appointed by the board of county commissioners of Cumberland county to assess the property of Cross Creek township for state and county purposes; and the board of aldermen of said city shall place on the tax list of said city the property owned by the people of said city in the limits thereof or subject to taxation therein at the sums assessed by the said county assessors for Cross Creek township as returned by them to the county authorities, and place said list with the tax collector of said city and direct that he shall proceed to collect the same.

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Here is a list of the men who attended upon the sale of the C. F. & Y. V., who came in six private cars:

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How Iloilo was Occupied—The New Filipino Cabinet.

By cable to the Observer.

Manila, Dec. 29th.—The facts of the occupation of Iloilo, the second city of the Phillippines by the insurgents, were received today. The American expedition commanded by Brigadier General Miller, arrived there yesterday and found that the Spaniards had evacuated Saturday on board the steamer Ohurance and had been transferred to the Island of Minianao in accordance with an agreement arrived at with the insurgents. The Filipinos entered Iloilo and occupied the trenches Monday and established a municipal government, and placed guards over all foreign property. The insurgents were fairly quiet and orderly, although there was some looting at night. Five natives were shot and this is having an exemplary effect upon the rest. The only foreign war ship present was the German second class cruiser Irene. The new Filipino cabinet is President and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mabani; Secretary of War, Luna; Secretary of Interior, Aranua; Secretary of Agriculture and Commerce, Buonaminou.

Death of a Prominent New Yorker.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

New York, December 29.—Augusti Winniett Peters, President of the Borough of Manhattan, died of heart disease this morning. He was president of the consolidated exchange for twenty years, and a leader in Tammany Hall.

Recruits for Dewey's Fleet.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—The auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, formerly the Morgan liner El Sol, left league island navy yard today for Norfolk. She will proceed to Manila with nearly four hundred men for Dewey's fleet via Suez.

A battle in East Africa.

By cable to the Observer.

Calcutta, Dec. 29.—According to advices from the British East Africa a party of thirty men under command of Lieutenant Harrington was attacked by natives on October 10th between Lake Albert and Lake Kioka. Twelve of the party were killed and Lieutenant Harrington and eight others wounded. Subsequently the rear guard of the British party repulsed the natives, killing about one hundred.

A Disaster at Sea.

By cable to the Observer.

Hong Kong, Dec. 30.—The news is received here that the Glasgow liner Gleavon struck a rock and foundered. The captain, mate and second and fourth engineers are missing. The crew is believed to be saved.

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The C. F. & Y. V.

MR. EDITOR:—

The purchase of the C. F. & Y. V. R. R., by the Atlantic Coast Line, brings us face to face with the fact that Fayetteville is no longer a competing point so far as the rail roads are concerned; and while the writer is not a pessimist, nor will he prejudge the A. C. L., still experience tells us that the rail roads never fail to exact the last cent that a patient people will allow. He was a philosopher, who said, "Hope for the best, be prepared for the worst." Acting upon this advice, it behooves us to look the situation squarely in the face, and be prepared for the emergency. It has been our boast that Fayetteville had three competing lines, but, unfortunately, one of these lines has been almost wiped out, for want of patronage, and now when we need it most, it is almost useless. With an increased patronage our steamboat companies can afford to improve their facilities for handling freight, and, with a united effort on the part of the citizens by memorializing Congress, we can, no doubt, get the appropriation, for improving the River, increased, which will make it navigable all the year round. Then, with a tramway from the River to the center of the town, the problem is solved, and we still have competition that cannot be bought out. A tramway is an operative necessity, for without it, the River cannot be utilized, but with it, history will almost repeat itself, and the old Cape Fear become, as in days of yore, our pride and boast. Will it be done?

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Thursday Night's Meeting

EDITOR OBSERVER:

For some weeks past the papers have advertised the fact that a public meeting of citizens would be held for the purpose of offering or suggesting needed reforms for the town charter, which will be amended at the coming session of the legislature. This meeting was an important one to every resident and citizen of this city, especially to those who have been kicking at the present state of city affairs, and who are continually suggesting needed reforms, (in a quiet way), and a meeting of vital importance to every resident and tax payer, and yet, at this great mass meeting of the citizens of Fayetteville Thursday night, who was there? The present board of aldermen, 14 strong; the city tax collector, the present clerk of the court, and former alderman, and eight lonesome citizens.

What was the result? Who formulated plans for the future city government—was it the citizens? It is a fact that cannot be contradicted, that if the citizens of this community persist in being indifferent and treat this matter in the way they did last night, then they should stop talking until they really feel enough interest in the city to come out and take a hand in the proceedings. We must do this or keep quiet after the charter is amended.

CITIZEN.

To Prevent Dreyfus's Return.

By cable to the Observer.

Paris, Dec. 30th.—An enthusiastic meeting of two thousand members of the League of Patriots was held today and passed a resolution pledging the league to prevent the return of Dreyfus to France even if it cost a revolution.

The Trouble Averted.

By cable to the Observer.

Havana, Dec. 30th.—The Cuban Patriotic Committee has decided to postpone the proposed six days celebration of the formal surrender of Havana at the wishes of Gens. Brooke and Ludlow.

Admiral and Vice Admiral.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, Dec. 30.—A bill to revive the ranks of Admiral and Vice-Admiral of the navy will be favorably reported to Congress early in January. It is sure that Dewey will be the Admiral and a contest whether Sampson or Schley will be Vice-Admiral.

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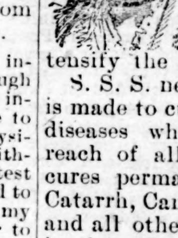

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Change in Commands.

By telegraph to the Observer

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Cario, Dec. 30th.—Information has been received that the Anglo-Egyptian troops under Col. Lewis have met the Deverishes under Emir Fedil. Colonel Lewis had been pursuing Fedil and his followers, who comprise the remnant of the Dervish army, up the Blue Nile ever since the defeat and rout of the Khalifa at Omdurman. It is believed that Fedil's defeat is the final stroke.

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Notice.

Application will be made to the next General Assembly of North Carolina to amend the charter of the City of Fayetteville.

W. S. COOK, Mayor.

Nov. 30, 1898

Notice.

Application will be made to the next General Assembly for authority to submit to the voters of Fayetteville the question of issuing bonds for an Electric Light Plant and the purchase of Water Works.

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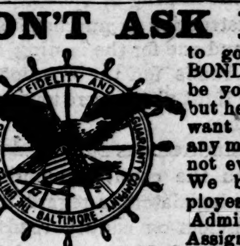

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H. E. SHEETZ,
W. S. SHEETZ,
E. M. SHEETZ.

Nov. 26th, 1898. d2w2

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as Administrator upon the estate of Mrs. Mary F. Cook, deceased, this is to give notice to all creditors to present their clams to me on or before December 12th, 1899, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. Persons indebted to said estate will please settle.

A. J. COOK,
Adm'r Mrs. M. F. Cook.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County, made at May Term, 1898, in an action entitled Jacob Bulla and wife vs. Devotion Averitt *et al*, I will, on the 28th day of Dec'r, 1898, at the Market House in the city of Fayetteville, at 12 o'clock M., FOR CASH, sell to the highest bidder the following lands, to-wit: Beginning at a small black jack on the side of the road and runs N. 24 West 61 chains to a stake in Carter's line, then with Carter's South, 78 E. 23 chains 40 links to a stake in the edge of Cedar Creek, then South 45 E. 14 chains 35 links to a stake in the Hall line, thence with that line South 45 W. 8 chains to a pine, the Hall corner, then South 45 E 21 chains to the public road, then up said road to the beginning, containing 75 acres more or less.

H. L. COOK, Commissioner.
Nov. 25th, 1898.

Land Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, rendered at the May Term, 1898, in an action entitled A. H. Slocomb against John C. Ray and wife, the undersigned will expose to sale to the highest bidder for CASH, at the Market House in the city of Fayetteville, on the

25th Day of January, 1899,

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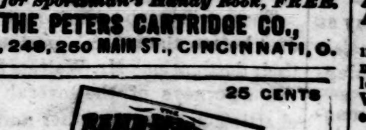

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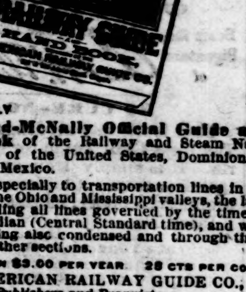

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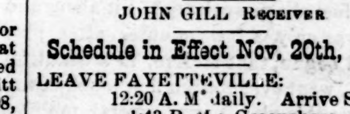

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	P. M.	P. M.	P M.	A. M.	P. M
Leave Weldon	12 00	9 43			
Ar Rocky Mt.	1 11	10 36			
Leave Tarboro	12 38		6 00		
Lv Rocky Mt.	1 15	10 36	6 45	5 40	1 16
Leave Wilson	2 15	11 16	7 19	6 22	2
Leave Selma	3 15				
Lv Fayetteville	4 30	1 07			
Ar Florence	7 35	3 15			
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar Goldsboro	......	......	8 00		
Lv Goldsboro	......	......		7 01	3 20
Lv Magnolia	......	......		8 05	4 24
Ar Wilmington	......	......		9 30	5 50
			P. M.	A. M.	P. M

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No 78 Daily	No. 102, D'ly ex Sunday	No 32, Daily	No 40 Daily.	No 48 Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv Florence	9 50		7 50		
Lv Fayetteville	12 25		9 42		
Leave Selma	1 50				
Arrive Wilson	2 35		11 35		
		A. M.		P. M.	A. M.
Lv Wilmington				7 15	9 30
Lv Magnolia				8 55	10
Lv Goldsboro		5 00		10 10	12 05
	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Leave Wilson	2 35	5 38	12 12	11 20	12 55
Ar Rocky Mt.	3 29	6 15	12 49	11 57	1 37
Ar Tarboro		6 45			
Leave Tarboro	12 31				
Lv Rocky Mt.	3 29		12 49		
Arrive Weldon	4 33		1 42		
	P. M.		A. M	P. M.	

†Daily except Monday. ‡Daily except Sunday.

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